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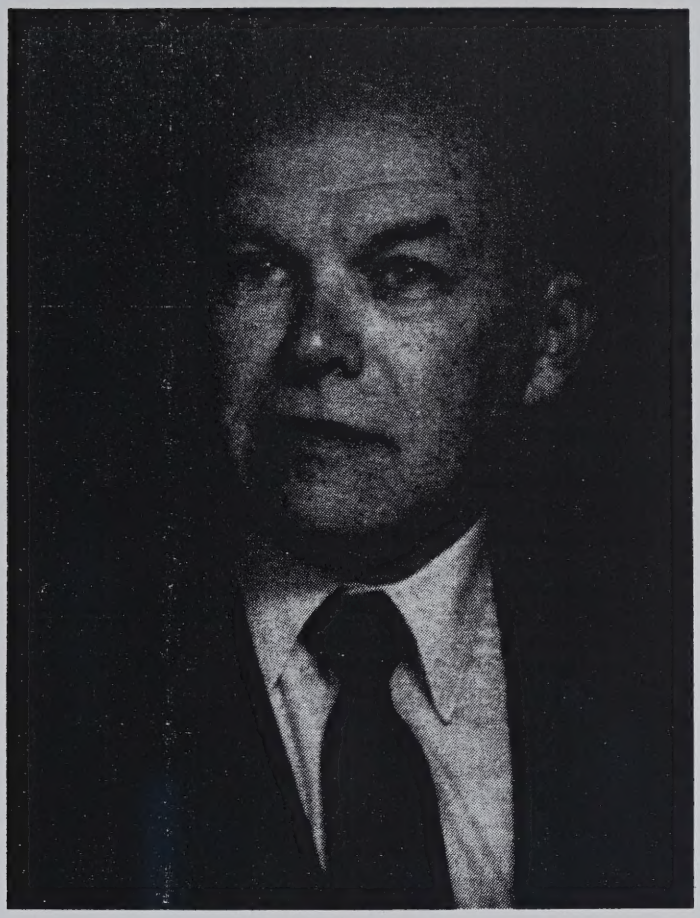

ARNOLD FINN

Garrett business and civic leader dies

The Garrett community morns the death of Arnold Finn, 64, of 4415 SR 327, Auburn, who died New Year's Day at Cameron Hospital, Angola. He formerly owned Finn News Agency in Garrett.

Mr. Finn was a very active civic and business leader in the community since moving to Garrett in 1958 when he purchased Machlik's News Agency, which he operated until his retirement in 1989.

Mr. Finn was a past president of the Garrett Lions Club, where he was currently serving as treasurer and was the recipient of the Melvin Jones Fellowship and a past Exulted Ruler of the Garrett Elks, serving as scholarship chairman for 20 years. He was a member of the Junior Achievement Board and presently serving as treasurer. Mr. Finn has been a member of the Garrett State Bank Board since 1983 and presently serving as vice-president. He has been an active member of the Garrett Chamber of Commerce and served several terms on the Board of Directors, holding the position of vice-president in 1961-62. Mr. Finn served two 4-year terms on the Garrett Public Library Board.

In the early 70's Mr. Finn served as Keyser Township Justice of Peace.

Services

Funeral services will be held today at 1 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rabbi Richard Safran officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials are requested to the Garrett Lions Club or the Garrett Public Library.

Mr. Finn was born May 2, 1928, in Chicago. His parents were Waller and Ethel (Kazanovich) Finn. He and Helen Lubrick were married on July 9, 1948, in Kalamazoo, Mich., and she survives.

Surviving with the wife are three daughters, Ethel Yoder of Garrett, Karen Sanders of Angola, and Helen Will of Toledo, Ohio; two brothers, Joseph Finn of Auburn, and Harold Finn of Overland Park, Kan.; one sister, Sandra Rose of Kalamazoo; and seven grandchildren.

Monday, Jan. 4, 1993

Calling Tuesday for Carol J. Myers, 62

Carol J. Myers, 62, of 205 South Harrison Street, died Sunday at 10:45 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home on Tueday from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. Services will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. William Haworth officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Myers was born Dec. 12, 1930, in Deshler, Ohio. Her parents were Roy and Esme (Rayle) Rutter. She and Lloyd E. Myers were married Dec. 7, 1957, in Deshler. He survives. Mrs. Myers was a member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Surviving with the husband are one daughter, Sue Church of Marshfield, Wisc.; one son, Todd Myers of Garrett; two brothers, Herb and Don Rutter, both of Deshler; three sisters, Mildred Powell and Ilean Phillips of Deshler and Lynn Line of Elida, Ohio; and six grandchildren.

January 11, 1993

Calling today for Elsie Warstler, 71

Elsie Mae Warstler, 71, of Clermont, Fla., died Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at her home. She formerly lived in Garrett until moving to Florida two years ago.

Friends may call from 2-8 p.m. Monday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, where services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday. Rev. William Haworth will officiate and burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Hospice or Cancer Research.

Mrs. Warstler was born May 29, 1921, in Baltimore, MD., to Clarence E. and Hazel (Butler) Wilhelm. She and Charles Warstler were married Sept. 15, 1940, in St. Joe. He survives. Mrs. Warstler retired from Meyers Stamping in Fort Wayne in 1981 after 16 years of service. She had attended the Baptist Church in Garrett.

Survivors include her husband, Charles of 2500 U.S. Hwy 27 South, Clermont, FL 34711; her step-mother, Esther Wilhelm of Garrett; three sons, Clarence and Mike Warstler of Garrett, and Larry Warstler of Coral Springs, FL; one daughter, Charlotte Whetsell of Garrett; two half-brothers, Clarence Wilhelm Jr., of Crescent, and Wilbur "Sonny" Wilhelm of Cleveland, OH; 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Monday, January 11, 1993

Services Thursday for Dr. Steve Gaw

Dr. Stephen Gaw, 54, of DeLand, Fla., died Wednesday, Jan. 6, in Gainesville, Fla. He was a former Garrett resident.

Graveside services will be Thursday at 1 p.m. at Riverside Cemetery, Union City, Mich., with Rev. Joan Smith officiating.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society or a charity of the donor's choice.

Dr. Gaw was born May 29, 1938, in Albion, Mich., to George and Doris (Stephenson) Gaw. He grew up in Garrett and graduated from Garrett High School in 1956. He received his degree in veterinary medicine from Ohio State University and practiced for 30 years. He served in the US Army during the 60's and was stationed in California. Dr. Gaw formerly owned and operated Imperial Point Animal Hospital in Ft. Lauderdale and Deerfield Animal Hospital in Deerfield Beach, Fla. He moved to DeLand last June. He and Kathleen "Kitty" Wing were married April 22, 1989, in Lake Wales, Fla.

Survivors include his wife at 400 C Rouen St., DeLand, FL 32720; two daughters, Jennifer Balanke and Stephanie Gaw, both of Columbus, Ohio; his parents, George and Doris Gaw of St. Augustine, Fla.; a brother, David Gaw of Orlando, Fla.; and a sister, Martha Dinkle of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Albert J. Johnson dies at age 77

Albert J. Johnson, 77, of 518 South Peters Street, died Friday at 11:43 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

There is no calling or services. McKee-Miles Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Johnson was born March 13, 1915, in Garrett. His parents were Frank and Rose (Stefanski) Johnson. He and Eleanor Lochner were married in Angola on May 30, 1942. She survives. He was a World War II Army Veteran. Mr. Johnson was a bridge and building inspector for the B & O Railroad for 32 years, retiring in 1975. He was a member of the Garrett Eagles and VFW.

Surviving with the wife are two daughters, Rosemary Blust and Diana Fugate, both of Garrett; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mr. Johnson was preceded in death by four brothers, Florian, Thomas, Paul and Whitie Johnson, and two sisters, Theresa Faust and Margaret Johnson.

January 11, 1993

Memorial service set for Paul Galey

Paul Thomas Galey, 63, of 412 South Randolph Street, died Tuesday at the Wright Patterson Air Force Medical Center, in Dayton, Ohio.

A Memorial Service will be held at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home on Sunday, Jan. 17, at 2 p.m. Dr. Lorin Harrison will officiate the service.

Memorials may be given to the Garrett Public Library.

Mr. Galey was born Oct. 8, 1929, in Ottumwa, IA. His parents, George Arthur and Lucy (Baker) Galey, are deceased. He worked for 40 years as a longshoreman, in Chicago, retiring in 1990. He was a member of the International Longshoremen's Association Local 19. Mr. Galey had been a Garrett resident for the past five years, previously living in Chicago, IL.

Survivors include two sisters, Louise Galey and Elizabeth Eberhard, both of Garrett; and two brothers, Theodore Galey, of Garrett, and Daniel Galey, of Calumet City, IL.

January 14, 1993

Lois Madden, 71, dies in Fort Wayne

Lois M. Madden, 71, of Fort Wayne, died Jan. 6 at 1:26 a.m. at Parkview Hospital, in Fort Wayne.

She was born Nov. 9, 1921, in Garrett. Her parents were Clayton and Violet D. (Wiler) Russel. She resided in Fort Wayne and had been a registered nurse at St. Anne's Home for 35 years. She also had been an executive secretary at the Falstaff Brewery. There are no known survivors.

Arrangements were by D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, in Fort Wayne. There was no calling or services.

, January 18, 1993

Adrian Steigmeyer dies in Florida

Adrian Steigmeyer, formerly of Garrett, died of cancer on Monday, Jan. 11, in Auburndale, Fl.

Surviving with his wife, Annette, are three children, Robert and Judy of California and Richard of Washington; three brothers, Jerome of LaGrange, Jim of Pennsylvania and Bill of Garrett; four sisters, Virginia Manon and Pat Frymier of Auburn and Mary Wilcoxson and Sharon Simon of Garrett and several grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were two brothers, Edward and Ralph.

Services were held Friday, in Auburndale.

Brandon McDiffitt dies at birth

Brandon Wayne McDiffitt was stillborn at 9:02 p.m. Thursday at Parkview Memorials Hospital.

Services will be at noon today at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with burial in Corunna Cemetery.

Surviving are his parents, Dallas and Jennifer Fitch McDiffitt; a brother, Benjamin; his grandparents, Robert and Nancy Fitch of Saginaw, Mich., Dallas and Laura McDiffitt of Cape Coral, Fla., and John and Mary Wise of Fort Wayne; and his great-grandparents, Virgil and Gladys McDiffitt of Fort Wayne, Gladys Fitch of Saginaw and Trois Wise of Auburn.

, January 25, 1993

Services today for Marcile Matthews

Marcile C. Matthews, 71, of 1041 Gregg Street, Auburn, died Friday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had lived in Garrett before moving to Auburn 21 years ago.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Rev. N. Dale Mendenhall will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the DeKalb County Heart Association.

Mrs. Matthews was born May 19, 1921, in Gaston, to Carey and Emma (McCoy) Turner. She and Roy L. Matthews were married Dec. 24, 1936, in Muncie. He survives. She fromerly worked at Electric Motors in Garrett and was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church.

Surviving with the husband are two sons, Ronald of Garrett, and Larry Dean of Findley, Ohio; one sister, Belva Collins of Gaston; and five grandchildren.

Services held for Bill Mossberger

William J. Mossberger, Jr., of the Masonic Home in Franklin, died Friday at 1:54 a.m. at St. Francis Hospital, Beech Grove. He formerly was a long-time Garrett resident.

Graveside services were held Saturday at Christian Union Cemetery with Rev. N. Dale Mendenhall officiating. McKee-Miles Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Mossberger was born April 24, 1904, in Mt. Vernon, Ill., to William J. and Ella (Freeland) Mossberger Sr. He and Elsie Bishop were married on Jan. 31, 1926, in Carmi, Ill. She preceded him in death on Aug. 30, 1983. He was a dispatcher with the B & O Railroad from 1925-1969 and was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church and Garrett Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include one son, Donald K. Mossberger of Richmond, Va.; two sisters, Ellen Lee of Carmi, Ill.; and Helen Leikof of Harrisburg, Ill.; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Franklin Mossberger; one brother, Charles Mossberger; and one sister, Emma Fulkerson.

January 28, 1993

Services today for Bernadine Fetter

Bernadine G. Fetter, 75, of 508 South Peters Street, died 11:05 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Services will be held this morning at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Fr. Gary Sigler officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery. Friends may call one hour before the services at the church.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to St. Joseph School.

Miss Fetter was born Aug. 8, 1917, in Garrett, to John J. and Mary B. (Foulks) Fetter. She worked as a nurse at the Garrett Clinic for 20 years and then for Dr. Charles Novy for seven years. She retired in 1981 from Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, where she worked six years. Miss Fetter was a member of St. Joseph Catholich Church, Harvest House, Daughters of Isabella and Sacred Heart Home Auxiliary.

Survivors include two brothers, Floyd Fetter and Edward Fetter, and one sister, Mary Frances Fetter, all of Garrett.

She was preceded in death by three sisters, Sister Anna Rita Fetter, Katherine Fetter and Collete Wyss.

Services held for Verl H. Hart, 75

Verl H. Hart, 75, of Waterloo, died Sunday at 5 p.m. at the home of a daughter in Fort Wayne.

Services were held Wednesday at Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson. Rev. Jerry Saltsman of the Auburn Church of Christ officiated. Burial was in Fairfield Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Allen County Hospice.

Mr. Hart was born July 7, 1917, in Hudson to Alvin and Julia (Tracey) Hart. He and Virginia Beard were married Dec. 12, 1936, in Fort Wayne. She survives. Mr. Hart was retired from the Chamberlain Company in South Whitley and was a member of the Church of Christ in Corunna.

Surviving with the wife are three daughters, Mrs. Lee (Janice) Cusick of Phoenix, Ariz., Mrs. Gary (Carol) Mettert of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Jerry (Ilene) McDonald of Garrett; one son, Wayne Hart of Waterloo; four sisters, Peggy Wood of Ashley, Donna Smith of Hudson, and Retha Conrad and Verna Noirot, both of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Merland Hart of Hudson, and Harold Hart of Hicksville, Ohio; 19 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

One son, Howart Hart; a granddaughter, Lynn Hart; a great-granddaughter, Theresa Ridenour; and a sister, Lucille, preceded him in death.

January 28, 1993

Ruth Robertson dies at age 80

Ruth R. Robertson, 80, of Fort Wayne, died Thursday, Jan. 21, at 8:10 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Monday at D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Rev. Craig LeSuer officited. Burial was in Highland Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the American Heart Association.

Mrs. Robertson was born July 1, 1912, in Adams County, to James and Celesta (Gahman) Bright. She worked at General Electric, Broadway Liquors and Allen County Council on Aging before retiring in 1978. Mrs. Robertson was a member of the Zanesville United Methodist Church, O.E.S. Fort Wayne Chapter 432, Rebecca Lodge and was an Extension Home Maker.

Survivors include one son, Terry Bowman of Markle; one daughter, Nancy cleveland of Garrett; six step-sons, Richard Robertson of Cape Coral, Fla., James Robertson and Philip Robertson, both of Fort Wayne, Thomas Robertson of Marion, Michael Robertson of Columbia City and Kenneth Robertson of Garrett; two step-daughters, Mary Higley of Bath, Ohio, and Joellen Pickering of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Wallace Bright of Sandusky, Ohio, and Gerald Bright of Fort Wayne; one sister, Merea E. Woodworth of Fort Wayne; 24 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

, February 1, 1993

Services today for Nancy Rupert, 67

Nancy L. Rupert, 67, of Fort Wayne, died Friday at 10:35 a.m. Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church at 10 a.m. today with Fr. Gary Sigler and Fr. Donald Isenbarger officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Mrs. Rupert was born Jan. 8, 1926, in Garrett. Her parents were Perry F. and Thresa C. (Hollis) Pence. She and Robert E. Rupert were married Nov. 27, 1954, in Auburn. She worked as a clerk-typist at National Mill Supply in Fort Wayne for 33 years and at All Rite Distributing Co., Fort Wayne, for five years. Mrs. Rupert was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett, and Star of East Chapter 514 Order of Eastern Star, Fort Wayne. Mrs. Rupert formerly lived in Garrett before moving to Fort Wayne 38 years ago.

Survivors include her husband, Robert of 6615 Bittersweet Dr., Fort Wayne, IN 46825; one daughter, Thresa Van Gilder of Fort Wayne; a step-son, Robert J. Rupert of Lima, Ohio; a step-daughter, Janice Buckmaster of Dyer; one brother, Bernard Pence of Garrett; one sister, Evelyn Frazee of South Bend; and two grandchildren Taylor and Brian Van Gilder of Fort Wayne.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Raymond, Edward and Thomas Pence, and two sisters, Kathryn Likens and Joan Benson.

February 1, 1993

Mrs. Violet Haag dies at age 74

Violet Marie Haag, 74, 909 South Cowen Street, died Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at DeKalb Health Care Center.

Services were held Saturday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Lloyd Mealer, minister of the First Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the First Church of Christ, where Mrs. Haag was a member, or to the donor's choice.

Mrs. Haag was born Sept. 20, 1918, in Garrett. Her parents were Karie and Alma (McBride) Heitz. She and John W. Haag were married April 26, 1941, in Wawaka. He survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Mary Ellen and Rose Marie Haag, both of Garrett. She was preceded in death by two sons, Jack and Dick Haag, and a brother, Leonard Heitz.

Services held for Nicholas Hillegass

Nicholas R. Hillegass, 2 months old, died Wednesday at 12:10 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He is the son of Robert A. and Amy (Coburn) Hillegass.

Graveside services were held Saturday at Christian Union Cemetery with Rev. Herbert Schumm, pastor of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, officiating.

Little Nicholas was born Nov. 3, 1992, at DeKalb Hospital. Survivors, in addition to his parents, are one brother, Jacob; grandparents, Robert and Joan Hillegass of Garrett, and William and Onalee Coburn of Angola; great-grandparents, Ila Coburn of St. Joe, Robert and Onalee Hanes of Leesburg, Fla., and Della Hillegass of Avilla.

February 4, 1993

Calling Sunday for Laurine McDanel

Laurine E. McDanel, 78, of Waltham, Mass., died Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Waltham Hospital. She formerly lived in Garrett.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home on Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. and one hour before services on Monday at St. Joseph Church. Services will be at 10 a.m. with Fr. Gary Sigler officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. A Rosary Service will be at 6 p.m. Sunday evening at the funeral home.

The family has requested preferred memorials to St. Joseph Church.

Mrs. McDanel was born Oct. 5, 1914, in Kendallville. Her parents were Frank and Rose (Ley) Drerup. She and Orval W. McDanel were married Nov. 29, 1934, in Kendallville. He preceded her in death on March 27, 1974. She was a member of St. Joseph Church and taught one year at St. Joseph Catholic School.

Survivors include two daughters, Janet Titsworth of Weston, Mass., and Mary Ann Garcia of Bogata, Columbia, South America; one sister, Joann Raney of Kendallville; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; eight cousins, John, Victor and Don Ley, Pearl Rhodes, Ilene Davenport, Mary Jane Stoner, Betty Ellert and Martha Ross, all of Avilla; three nieces, Rosemary Jones and Jean Ann Bishop of Auburn, and Nancy Drerup of Kendallville; one nephew, Joe Forker of Tennessee; and a great-uncle, Urban Ley of Avilla.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Evelyn Forker, and two brothers, Urban and Victor Drerup.

, February 11, 1993

Services held for Frank Omohundro

Frank Parnell Omohundro, 72, Commander U.S.N. Retired, died Saturday, Feb. 6, at his residence in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

A native of Garrett, Commander Omohundro was a member of Palma Presbyterian Church, Masonic Lodge of Garrett, Ponte Verda Inn and Club, a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy Class of 1943 and earned his Naval Engineering degree at Massachusetts Institute of Technology Class of 1949. He was a member of the graduating class of 1938 at Garrett High School.

Commander Omohundro retired in 1964 after 22 years of service in the U.S. Navy, and was past president of the U.S.N.A. Alumni Jacksonville Chapter. He was Engineering Manager of the Deep Submersible Research Vessel Project, at Woods Hole, Mass., and retired after 13 years as Corporate Manager of quality assurance with Electric and Gas of New Jersey.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Murry of Ponte Vedra Beach; one son, Bruce G. Omohundro of Baltimore, MD.; one daughter, Linda O. Andrews of Clifton Park, N.Y.; a brother, George A. Omohundro of Whispering Pines, N.C.; and two grandchildren, Jeffrey and Katherine Andrews of Clifton Park.

Memorial services were held Monday at Palma Presbyterian Church with Rev. Jack Swann officiating. Interment was at the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

Calling today for Lucile Hassett

Lucile Hassett, 81, of Auburn, died Tuesday at 4:23 p.m.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be Friday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home with Rev. Doug Anderson officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Memorials are requested to the DeKalb Home Health Case.

Mrs. Hassett was born Sept. 30, 1911, in Auburn to Frank and Addie Clouse. She and Thomas Hassett were married Dec. 23, 1934. He preceded her in death in 1988.

Survivors include one son, Thomas of Fremont; one daughter, Cynthia Smith of Auburn; four sisters, LaVon Bradley of Garrett, and Olive Hess, Kate Munk and Betty Russell, all of Auburn; four grandchildren, five step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

Ivan Brooks, 87, dies in Fort Wayne

Former Garrett resident, Ivan K. Brooks, 87, died on Jan. 29 at 11:30 p.m., at the Byron Health Center, in Fort Wayne. Burial was in Bowers Cemetery, with arrangements by Hockemeyer & Miller Funeral Home, of Fort Wayne.

Brooks, a retired contractor and stone mason, was born in Fort Wayne and lived most of his life in Garrett.

Survivors include his wife, Lucille A. and a son, Andrew J., both of Fort Wayne; one sister, Bernice Clark, of Fort Wayne; one brother, Raymond, of Palatine, IL; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Memorials can be made to the donor's choice.

, February 18, 1993

Ormond Lash, 73, dies, services set

Ormond Royal "Slim" Lash, 73, of Kendallville, died Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. today. Services will be Friday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in [illegible] Cemetery, LaGrange.

Mr. Lash was born in Conde, S.D., on Sept. 5, 1919. His parents were Jimmy Harry and Emma Julia (Woodard) Lash. He and Phyllis Jane Lounsbury were married Oct. 20, 1940, in Ashley. She survives. Mr. Lash was a self-employed machinist and owned Kendallville Machine & Tool in Kendallville. He served with the Civilian Conservation Corps No. 586 in Angola, and helped to build Pokagon State Park in the late 1930s. He was a World War II Army veteran serving in the European Theater.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Mrs. Barry (Linda) Hill of Kendallville, and Patricia A. Dean of Garrett; two sons, Ken Lash and Jerry "Jake" Lash, both of Kendallville; four sisters, Elaine Hartman of Hamilton, Lorene DePew of Garrett, LaVona Foulk and Carol Carpenter, both of Angola; three brothers, Otis Lash of Angola, Gerald "Gabby" Lash of Hamilton, and Earl Lash of Justin, Ill.; 10 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Services Friday for Orville Collins

Orville D. Collins, 72, of rural Auburn, died Wednesday at 3:30 a.m. at his home.

Friends may call today from 2-9 p.m. at McComb, Digard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Services will be Friday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Doug Anderson officiating. Burial will be in Pleasant Pleasant Cemetery, rural Butler.

Memorial gifts may be made to Concord United Methodist Church.

Mr. Collins was born Jan. 12, 1921, in DeKalb County to Wilbur and Zona (Griffin) Collins. He and Maxine Ridenour were married March 15, 1942, in Auburn. He worked at Ball Brothers and Aluminum Foundry for 37 years before retiring in 1983. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army.

Survivors include five sons, Larry A. of Ashley, Robert L. of Auburn, Jerry E. of Fremont, Paul E. of Butler, and Mike A. of Garrett; six daughters, Janice A. Collins and Sherry L. Collins of Auburn, Judy K. Boggs, Linda L. Simmons, Connie Bungard and Lori A. Collins, all of Butler, 18 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and four step-grandchildren.

Calling today for Gloria Koehl, 68

Gloria J. Koehl, 68, of 5760 CR 327, Garrett, died Tuesday at 4 p.m. at her home.

Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. today at McKee-Miles Funeral Home and on Friday one hour before the services, which will be at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Fr. Gary Sigler will officiate. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery. A Rosary Service will be at 4 p.m. this afternoon.

The family has requested preferred memorials to St. Joseph School.

Mrs. Koehl was born Nov. 2, 1924, in Fort Wayne. Her parents were Clifford J. and Lillie (Manhart) Kieffer. She and Robert A. Koehl Sr. were married in Auburn on Sept. 22, 1945. He preceded her in death on Jan. 15, 1987. She and her husband owned Koehl Sheet Metal in Fort Wayne for 16 years. She retired upon selling the business in September 1987. Mrs. Koehl was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rosary Society, Harvest House, Garrett American Legion Auxiliary and Women of the Moose in Auburn.

Survivors include five daughters, Beverly Porter of Butler, Teresa Thorne of Leo, Ruth Magnuson of Garrett, Mary Esselburn of Fort Wayne, and Dorothy Adkison of Fort Wayne; five sons, Robert Jr. of Canton, Mich., Steven of Geneva, Ill., Donald and James of Auburn, and David of Mishawaka; one sister, Alice Boxell of Winchester; and 11 grandchildren.

February 18, 1993

Services held for Lawrence Kimmel

Lawrence J. Kimmel, 77, of 113 South Collins Street, died Monday at 1:40 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Graveside services were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Cedar Creek Cemetery with Rev. Chuck Summers, DeKalb Memorial Hospital Chaplain, officiating. McKee-Miles Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials are requested to the family.

Mr. Kimmel was born Oct. 11, 1915, in Kendallville. His parents were Arthur and Emma (Nott) Kimmel. He and Charlene Novey were married in Louisville, Ky., on Nov. 6, 1946. She survives. Mr. Kimmel was a World War II U.S. Army veteran. He worked as an express clerk for the Penn Central Railroad in Fort Wayne for 30 years, retiring in 1976.

Surviving with the wife are two daughters, Phyllis Cleland of Garrett, and Joyce Miller of Warsaw; two brothers, Robert Kimmel of New Haven, and Richard Kimmel of Fort Wayne; one sister, Helen Jones of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one brother, Howard Kimmel.

February 22, 1993

Calling today for LeRoy Drews, 74

LeRoy C. Drews, 74, of 475 280 Lane, Hamilton, died Saturday at 5:35 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call today from 2-8 at McKee-Miles Funeral Home and at the church one hour before services Tuesday, which will be at 10 a.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Garrett. Rev. Herbert Schlum will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

The family has requested memorials to the church or the Lutheran Hour.

Mr. Drews was born Dec. 8, 1918, in Garrett. His parents were William G. and Meta W. (Diederich) Drews. He was a World War II Army veteran and retired in 1979 after working as an engineer on the B & O Railroad for 30 years. He was a member of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Garrett.

Survivors include two sisters, Rosella Warstler of Hamilton, and Lucille Harrison of Warren, Mich.; and one brother, Richard Drews of Louisville, Ky.

, Feb. 25, 1993

Services today for Hattie Warstler, 91

Hattie Eva Warstler, 91, of Webster, NY, died Monday at St. Vincent Hospital, Carmel. She was a Garrett resident from 1926 to 1988 when she moved to Webster. She had been living in Carmel for the past two months.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at the Garrett United Methodist Church with Rev. N. Dale Mendenhall officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Friends may call at the church one hour before the services.

Memorials are requested to the Carmel Care Center's Alzheimer Unit.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Warstler was born Feb. 4, 1902, in Stroh. Her parents were Elliott A. and Cora (Bennett) Rowlison. She and Charles M. Warstler were married March 17, 1920, in LaGrange. He died on Feb. 5, 1961. She was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church, Rebekahs and the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen Auxiliary.

ELLIOTT A & CORA (BENNETT) ROWLISON

Survivors include two daughters, Annabelle Seigel of Carmel, and Geneva Rose of Webster, NY.; one son, Charles D. Warstler of Hamilton; five grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Warstler was preceded in death by five brothers, Fred, Paul, Justice, William and George Rowlison, and two sisters, Catherine Lotzenhizer and Sadie Coney.

Feb. 25, 1993

Corunna man killed in tragic accident

Mark Handshoe, 43, of Corunna, was killed Monday afternoon in a head-on collision on U.S. 6 at the DeKalb-Noble county line.

The accident occurred as Handshoe was traveling west on U.S. 6 at about 3 p.m. An eastbound vehicle driven by Dennis Ley, 19, of Garrett, crossed the center line and struck Handshoe's car. Weather conditions were blamed in the accident. The roadway was snow covered and slick with low visibility due to blowing snow, according to police reports.

Handshoe died of head and internal injuries. Ley received a cut left ankle. He possibly escaped more serious injury due to an airbag in his car, according to police. Christopher Handshoe, 18, a passenger in his father's car, suffered bruises to his head. Michael Bonecutter, 18, of Garrett, suffered a broken arm and was listed in stable condition at McCray Hospital, Kendallville.

The four men involved in the accident were not wearing seat belts. Both vehicles were a total loss, according to police.

Services For Mark Handshoe

Services for Mr. Handshoe will be held today at 1 p.m. at the Stroh United Baptist Church in Stroh. Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery.

Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Handshoe was employed as a molder at Kendallville Casting Foundry, Kendallville.

Survivors include his wife, Corrine; a daughter, Nancy, at home; five sons, Mark, William, Christopher and Joseph, all at home, and Timothy of Centreville, Mich.; three grandchildren; six brothers, Charlie of Garrett, Ky., Kelly of Dorton, Ky., Linza Bolen of Dorton, Ky., Junior Hicks of Martin, Ky., Bobby of Kendallville, and Andy of Corunna; and seven sisters, Effie Reed of New Albany, Versia Byer of Auburn, Ruth Lacy of Garrett, Dorothy Acker of Auburn, Bessie Moore of Oklahoma, Susie Mae Gibson of Garrett, Ky., and Nancy Collins of Kendallville.

, Feb. 25, 1993

Services held for Charles Smith, 72 local man's father

Charles F. Smith, 72, died Sunday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, at 3:05 a.m. Mr. Smith lived on CR 38, in Auburn, and had worked at the Auburn Rubber Company. He was a retired farmer from Union Township. He was the father of Greg Smith, of Garrett.

Services were held yesterday at 2 p.m. at the Feller Funeral Home, in Waterloo. Rev. Stevan Haiflich officiated with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Preferred memorials may be directed to the DeKalb Heart Association or the DeKalb County Chapter of the American Cancer Society.

Smith was born May 2, 1920, in Avilla, to Jacob and Lillian (Vachon) Smith, who are both deceased. He married Eleanor Fee, in Auburn, on Jan. 27, 1940. She survives.

Surviving with the wife and son are three other sons, Ralph of Plymouth, Jake of Butler and Chuck of Auburn; three daughters, Jean King and Charlene Stahl, both of Waterloo, and Kathy Troyer of Fort Wayne; three brothers, Virgil of Auburn, and Harold and Richard, both of Waterloo; three sisters, Velma Davis of Fort Wayne and June Gafken and Georgia Muzzillo of Auburn; 19 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

A brother and a sister preceded him in death.

Services held for Virgil Finchum, 63

Services were held yesterday at 3:30 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, for Virgil M. Finchum, 63, a well-known and well-liked former teacher at Garrett High School. Mr. Finchum died at 5:30 a.m. Monday at the Betz Nursing Home, in Auburn.

Memorial donations may be sent to the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

A government and economics teacher at GHS from 1957 to 1978, Mr. Finchum was a graduate of Cambridge City High School and earned a bachelor's degree from Ball State University, in 1957, and a master's degree from that same University in 1962.

Mr. Finchum served in the U.S. Air Force and was a Korean War veteran. He was a member of the Auburn Presbyterian Church, a past president of the Garrett Teachers Association, and also a former member of the Garrett Lions Club, being a past president of that club.

Finchum was born Sept. 5, 1929, to the late Virgil and Bessie (Hurley) Finchum, in North Vernon. On Aug. 24, 1958, he married Kay Kitterman, in Hobart and she survives.

His only son, Jim, survives in Auburn. Three sisters preceded him in death.

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, March 1, 1993

Services today for Claude Lothamer

Claude W. Lothamer, 88, of 504 East South Street, died Friday at 5:16 p.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be at 10 a.m. today at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Fr. Fred Cardinalli officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to St. Joseph Church or school.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Lothamer was born Sept. 8, 1904, in Edgerton. His parents were Henry and Ellen (Converset) Lothamer. He and Pauline E. Hartman were married Sept. 3, 1931, in Monroeville and she died Jan. 11, 1991. He was a retired farmer and a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and the Holy Name Society.

Survivors include one daughter, Marcia Smith of Wolcottville; one son, Richard Lothamer of Garrett; eight grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

, March 3, 1993

Calling today for Janice Collins, 45

Janice A. Collins, 45, of Auburn, died Tuesday at 1:04 a.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. at Feller Funeral Home with Rev. Willie Collins officiating. Burial will be in Steuben Cemetery, in rural Corunna. Friends may call today at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Requested memorials are to the family.

Mrs. Collins was born March 30, 1947, in Auburn, to Orville and Maxine (Ridenour) Collins. Her mother survives in Auburn. She and Kenneth Collins were married Feb. 5, 1973, in Auburn. He survives.

Other survivors include two stepdaughters, Nanette Tucker and Sheila Friend, both of South Milford; five brothers, Larry of Ashley, Jerry of Fremont, Robert and Paul, both of Auburn, and Michael of Garrett; five sisters, Judy Boggs of Newville, Sherry Walker of St. Joe, Linda Simmons, Connie Bungard and Lori Collins, all of Butler; and five step-grandchildren.

March 3, 1993

Services held for Betty Teeples, 48

Betty L. Teeples, 48, of Napoleon, Ohio, died Friday, Feb. 12, in a five car accident in Spring Arbor Township, Mich.

Services were held Feb. 17 and burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery, Napoleon.

Mrs. Teeples was employed at Aeroquip Corp., Spring Arbor. She was born May 9, 1944, in Huntertown. Her parents were Mildred and Walter Vacek.

Survivors include her mother and step-father, Donald and Mildred Geeting of Angola; her husband, James Teeples of Napoleon; one daughter, Ronda Snyder of Napoleon; one son, Randy Baxter of Angola; three stepsons; two sisters, one brother, two stepbrothers, including Phillip Geeting of Garrett; and seven grandchildren.

, March 11, 1993

Ruth Dirrim, 79, dies, services today

Ruth (Warner) Dirrim, 79, died Monday at 2:15 p.m. at Meadowhaven Healthcare Center, Butler. She was an Auburn resident.

Services will be today at 2 p.m. at Indian Village Church of God in Auburn, with calling one hour before the services. Rev. Don Dennison will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the DeKalb County unit of the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Dirrim was born April 23, 1913, in Garrett. Her parents were Orange and Ethel (Long) Warstler. Her first husband, Marion Warner, died in 1971 and her second husband, Howard Yarde, died in 1974. She and Donald L. Dirrim were married Feb. 13, 1981. He survives.

Mrs. Dirrim retired in 1973 from the maintenance department at Cooper Industrial Products, Auburn, with 10 years of service. She was a member of the Indian Village Church of God and attended activities at the Heimach Senior Center in Auburn.

Surviving with the husband are one son, Darrell W. Warner of Auburn; two daughters, Frances Hjelm and Bonnie Bishop, both of Garrett; two step-sons, Kenneth Dirrim of Hamilton, and Rickey Dirrim of Michigan; two step-daughters, Vicky Schuller of Butler, and Judy Witham of Waterloo; four brothers, Robert Warstler of Toledo, Ohio, Walter Warstler of Pleasant Lake, Charles Warstler of Clermont, Fla., and Lester Warstler of Fremont; one sister, Minnie Hollinger of Garrett; 12 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren, and several step-grandchildren.

One brother, Perry, and one step-son, Robert Dirrim, preceded her in death.

March 11, 1993

Catherine Nixon dies at age 72

Catherine L. Nixon, 72, of Auburn, and formerly of Garrett, died Monday at 4:20 p.m. at The Arbors, Fort Wayne.

Services will be at 11 a.m. today at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. Jim Caister, former pastor of the Auburn Alliance Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, north of Garrett.

The family has requested memorials to the Auburn Alliance Church.

Mrs. Nixon was born March 14, 1920, in Lima, Ohio. Her parents were Virgil and Elizabeth Settlemire. Her husband, John W. Nixon, died in 1960. Mrs. Nixon retired in 1982 from Central Soya in Fort Wayne after 21 years of service.

Surviving are two sons, Tom A. Nixon of Auburn, and Kim E. Nixon of Fort Wayne; and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, John J. Nixon.

Services today for Andy Schlotterback

Gerald "Andy" Schlotterback, 77, of Avilla, died Monday at 11 p.m. at Byron Health Care Center, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 2 p.m. at Calvary United United Methodist Church, Avilla, with Rev. Ronald Storms officiating. Calling willl be one hour before the services. Burial will be in Sparta Cemetery, Kimmel. Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, is in charge of arrangments.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Calvary United Methodist Church Building Fund.

Mr. Schlotterback was born May 17, 1915, in Wawaka. His parents were Jesse and Lena (Godsell) Schlotterback. He and Kathryn (Shultz) Harding were married Jan. 19, 1968. She survives. He retired from the B & O Railroad in Garrett in 1976.

Survivors include two daughters, Ann Brooks of Milford, and Joan Kline of Syracuse; one step-daughter, Mrs. Todd (Victoria) Fiandt of Garrett; three step-sons, Ronald Harding of Avilla, Terry Harding of Fort Wayne, and Kent Harding of Kendallville; one sister, Marniece Walker of Kimmel, and 12 grandchildren.

March 15, 1993

Services held for Wilburn Combs, 56

Wilburn C. Combs, 56, of 417 West Keyser Street, died Thursday at 5:15 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services were held Saturday at 10 a.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Pastor Vaughn Powell officiating. Burial was in Embrey Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the family.

Mr. Combs was born March 3, 1937, in Kodak, Ky. His parents were James and Judy (Feltner) Combs. He and Evelyn "Juanita" Hyde were married in 1979. She survives. He was retired in 1980 from Garrett Flexible Poducts where he was a punch press operator. He was a member of the Garrett Eagles.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, Rick Combs of Garrett, and Scotty Combs of Kendallville; two step-sons, Richard Cottrell of Auburn, and Doler Otis Bevis of Garrett; four step-daughters, Mary Thomas of Tennessee, Pat Rowe of Grabill, Margaret Christlieb of LaOtto and Zelda Mayers of Woodburn; one sister, Mary Storey of Kendallville; and 12 grandchildren.

Services held for Reece Phillips, 89

Reece Phillips, 89, of rural Garrett, died Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. He had been a patient there for 16 days.

Funeral services were held Saturday in the True Church of God in Jesus Name, in Lisbon. Rev. Howard "Sonny" Stanley officiated, with burial in the Corunna Cemetery. Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, was in charge of the arrangements.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association.

Mr. Phillips was born on May 27, 1903, in Harlan County, KY, to James Harley and Flora (Robertson) Phillips. He and Sally Hicks were married in 1942, in Painesville, KY. She preceded him in death in July, 1985.

He moved to the rural Garrett area from West Virginia in 1976. He retired in 1953, after being a coal miner for 40 years. Phillips was a member of the True Church of God in Jesus Name, Lisbon.

Survivors include two daughters, Jacqueline Brogan, Angola and June Christian, of Tampa, FL.; a son, Ray Phillips, of Wapakoneta, OH; a stepdaughter, Thelma VanHoose, of Nolan, W.VA; three step-sons, Robert Hicks, of Garrett, and Russell and Dallas Hicks, both of Brimfield; 15 grandhildren; 29 stepgrandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Phillips was preceded in death by two stepsons, Warren Hicks, in September, 1988, and Uyless Hicks, in February, 1989; two brothers, Wade and Willie; and three sisters, Mandy, Nancy and Lina.

, March 22, 1993

Services today for Ralph Gradeless, 81

Ralph Gradeless, 81, of 904 West King Street, died Friday at 12:08 p.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church with calling one hour before the services. Rev. James Moore and Rev. Arthur Ferry will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the church.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Gradeless was born May 12,1911, in Columbia City. His parents were Elmer and Emily (McKinney) Gradeless. He and Martha A. Smith were married Jan. 31, 1933, in Rochester. She survives. Mr. Gradeless retired in 1975 after 34 years of service on the B & O Railroad as an engineer. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Surviving with the wife are a son, Dave Gradeless of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Nancy Leitch of Fort Wayne; three brothers, Paul of Buchanan, Mich., Lawrence of Niles, Mich., and Earl of Butler; four sisters, Margaret Thomas on Louisville, Tex., Lucille Leffel of Niles, Mich., Thelma Snyder of Indianapolis, and Jean Weeb of Cairo, Egypt; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

March 25, 1993

Services Friday for Kenneth Vice, Sr.

Kenneth N. Vice Sr., 81, of Fremont, died Monday at Miller's Merry Manor in LaGrange.

Services will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home in Fremont. Calling will be 4 to 9 p.m. today. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Steuben County Cancer Society.

Mr. Vice was a retired contractor. His wife, Ann, preceded him in death.

Survivors include two daughters, Arbutus Heller of Coldwater, Mich., and Madonna Crise of Elkhart; three sons, Kenneth Jr., and Fred, both of Fremont, and Thomas of Avilla; one sister, Margie Pickard of Fort Wayne; one brother, Baxter Vice of Wolcottville; 15 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Thomas, Bernard and Vernon.

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Calling today for Josephine Clark

A. Josephine Clark, 89, of Fort Wayne, died Tuesday at Woodview Health Care Center in Fort Wayne.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. today at D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in White City Cemetery, Spencerville.

Memorials are requested to St. Andrew Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Clark was born in Spencerville and lived in Fort Wayne most of her life. Her husband, Paul, a former Fort Wayne police chief, died in 1983.

Survivors include a daughter, Patricia L. Lincoln of Nashville, Tenn.; a son, Ronald P. of Fort Wayne; a sister, Esther R. Fitch of Garrett; seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services today for Estelle Getts, 85

Estelle L. Getts, 85, died Monday at 7:25 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He was living in Fort Wayne and formerly lived in Garrett.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at the Garrett United Methodist Church with calling at the church after 12:30 p.m. Rev. N. Dale Mendenhall, Rev. Ronald Bowman and Father Jim [illegible] will be in Fairfield Cemetery, rural Corunna.

Memorials are requested to the Garrett United Methodist Church or the St. Vincent DePaul Mission in Garrett.

Feller Funeral Home, is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Getts was born Aug. 19, 1907, in Fairfield Township. His parents were William and Emma (Rowe) Getts. He and Edna King were married Jan. 20, 1934, in Garrett. She preceded him in death on Feb. 11, 1986. Mr. Getts retired in 1972 after 16 years of service as a custodian for the Garrett-Keyser-Butler Community Schools. He also was a former employee of Auburn Rubber Co. and was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church.

Survivors include four sons, Don of Fort Wayne, and Maurice, Larry and James, all of Garrett; two daughters, Joyce (Mrs. Ronald) Parker of Pleasant Lake, and Faith (Mrs. Ellis) Zumwalt of Tulsa, Okla.; two brothers-in-law, Terry McClellan of Ashley and Merland Hart of Hudson; 20 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by seven brothers and four sisters.

April 1, 1993

Former Garrett Coach, Ward Smith, 77, dies

Ward H. Smith, 77, of Angola, died Tuesday at 4:40 a.m. at Carlin Park Health Care Center. He was the Garrett High School Basketball Coach for 12 years from 1954 to 1966.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. today at Weicht Funeral Home in Angola. Services will be held at the funeral home on Friday at 1 p.m. with Rev. Larry Houseman officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Angola Methodist Church or Alzheimer's Support Group of Steuben County.

Mr. Smith was born Nov. 26, 1918, in Louisville, Ky., to Thomas C. and Catherine (Hampton) Smith. He and Marjane Stephenson were married Dec. 24, 1940, in Carrollton, Ky. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Dr. Stephen Smith of Muncie; one daughter, Sherry Nidlinger of Fort Wayne; one brother, Roger Smith of Seminole, Fla.; and six grandchildren.

Mr. Smith was a member of the Angola United Methodist Church; Angola Elks Lodge, Angola Moose Lodge and the Lions Club.

Career

Mr. Smith was a great basketball coach and made a name for himself over a span of 42 years.

The National High School Athletic Coaches Association certified on March 1, 1978, that Ward Smith was a nominee for "National High School Basketball Coach of the Year." This nomination was in recognition of his over-all coaching record, professional honors and contribution to the sport.

In 1978 and 1979 he was named Indiana High School "Basketball Coach of the Year." In 1977 he was honored by the Coaches Association and presented an award in recognition of 40 years of dedicated service to the youth.

Mr. Smith owned and operated the Hoosier Basketball Camp at Lake James and Tri State University for 25 years.

His career at Garrett High School started in 1954 when

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he became the head basketball coach. He also coached baseball and was assistant football coach.

While coaching in northern Indiana, Mr. Smith twice in a row was chosen northeastern Indiana Coach of the Year by Fort Wayne sportswriters, and his teams were chosen #1.

Ward Smith's career started after he graduated from DePauw University in Greencastle in 1936 where he was a Rector Scholar and member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

He coached in 11 high schools in Indiana over the next 43 years, starting at Paris Crossing in 1937. Mr. Smith was head basketball coach at each of the following schools, including Paris Crossing, Shawswick at Bedford, Austin, Silver Creek at Sellersburg, Connersville, Wabash, Garrett, Beech Grove, Hauser at Hope, South Central at Elizabeth and ended his coaching career at Attica High School in 1980.

Coach Smith also coached many other sports, including baseball, tennis, track, cross country and was assistant football coach at several of the schools. He also was the athletic director at Hauser and South Central High Schools.

During his coaching career he attained great accomplishments. He had 17 sectional championships, 15 conference championships, one regional crown and 18 holiday tournament championships.

At Garrett High School, Coach Smith had 50 straight victories on the home court.

Ward had one undefeated season and over 10 years in which his teams were ranked in the top 10 in the state by newspaper polls.

In addition to establishing a high standard basketball camp and bringing in top players from across the state and country, he conducted numerous clinics for players throughout the state.

Coach Smith was placed on the Wall of Fame at Garrett High School as one of the original 12 in the 1982-83 school year, when the Wall of Fame was established to honor outstanding sports figures in the school's history.

, April 1, 1993

Joana Grama dies in California

Joana Francis Grama, 70, died at 4:28 a.m. Monday at San Bernardino Hospital, San Bernardino, CA.

A funeral mass was held at 11 a.m. today at the Holy Rosary Catholic Church in San Bernardino, where she was a member. Local services will be held at a later date with McKee-Miles Funeral Home handling the arrangements.

Mrs. Grama was born in Garrett on April 20, 1922, to the late Andrew and Joan (Purece) Simon. She was married in Willard, OH, to John J. Grama, and he survives at 2296 Muscupiabe Drive, San Bernardino, CA 92405.

Also surviving are a son, James Richmond of Garrett, three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Grama was a homemaker and co-owner of the former Simon's Grocery in Garrett. She was a charter member of the Garrett VFW Auxiliary.

Preceding her in death were a sister, Florence Koch, and four brothers, John, Isidore, Andy and Nick Simon.

', April 1, 1993

Carl Gieser dies, former resident

Carl H. Gieser, 88, of Willard, Ohio, died at his home on Thursday, March 25. He was a former Garrett resident.

Funeral arrangements and burial details were not available.

Memorials may be sent to the First Presbyterian Church at 124 West Maple Street, Willard, Ohio 44890.

Mr. Gieser was born in Garrett on Nov. 25, 1904. His parents were Andrew and Anna (Hammon) Gieser. He and Edith Moore were married June 18, 1930, in Willard. She survives. He retired in 1969 after 47 years on the B & O Railroad.

Surviving with the wife are a son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Laurie Gieser of Plano, TX., a daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Ernest Gilcrist of South Euclid, Ohio; three grandchildren and two step-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Julius and William, and two sisters, Emma an Lydia.

Services today for Roy Childers, 77

Ralph L. (Roy) Childers, 77, died Sunday morning at his home in Lehigh Acres, Fla. He was a former Waterloo resident.

Mr. Childers was born July 11, 1915 in Chicago to Ralph A. and Mary (Jones) Childers.

He worked at Dana in Auburn for 21 years, retiring in 1980. Mr. Childers was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and a World War II prisoner of war. Mr. Childers was a member and past commander of the Waterloo Veterans of Foreign Wars post, a member of the Garrett Masonic Lodge 537 and a member of the Fort Wayne Scottish Rite [illegible]

Services will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo. Steve Wilmot, pastor of Edgerton Christian Church in Edgerton, Ohio, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Mr. Childers is survived by his wife, Mayme "Liz"; a stepson, Gary Alderman of Roanoke, VA; a stepdaughter, Patsy Doub of Forney, TX; two brothers, Dr. Merle Childers of Harrisville, Mich., and U.S. Navy Cmdr. Robert Childers of Annapolis, MD; a sister, Nina Wilmot of Garrett; two step-granddaughters and one step-great-grandson.

, April 5, 1993

Calling today for Franklin Stenner

Franklin L. Stenner, 53, of 3287 CR 11, Corunna, died Saturday at 11:35 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Calling will be from 2-8 p.m. today at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Rev. Bill Farmer, pastor of the United Methodist Church of Waterloo, will officiate. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery

Mr. Stenner was born July 15, 1939, in Kendallville. His parents were Frederick and Marie (Notestien) Stenner. He and Roseann Cassabon were married in Clear Lake on Dec. 15, 1990. She survives. He worked as a machinist at Lewger Tool in Kendallville for the past 23 years. He attended Calvary Chapel in Waterloo and was a member of the Kendallville Moose Lodge.

Surviving with the wife are a son, Fred of Fort Wayne; two daughters, Tammee Napier of Kendallville, and Rhonda Conroy of Garrett; one stepdaughter, Karen Maier of Coeunna; four step-sons, Frank Cassabon of Waterville, Ohio, Rodney Cassabon of Blue Island, Ill., James Cassabon of Rialto, Calif., and Richard Cassabon of Toledo, Ohio; two sisters, Carol Hastreiter of Angola, and Anita Witticar of Newport, N.C.; an aunt, Clara Thrasher of California; eight grandchildren, 27 step-grandchildren and six step-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one sister, Beverly Newman.

Services set for Frebert Payton

Frebert W. Payton, 71, of 4878 CR 7, died Sunday at 8:18 a.m. at Bryon Health Center, Fort Wayne.

Calling will be Tuesday from 3-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home and one hour before the services Wednesday at the Garrett Church of the Nazarene. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. with Dr. William N. Hodge and Rev. Randall K. Hartman officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Payton was born Sept. 13, 1921, in Casey County, Ky. His parents were Dave and Allie May (Shoopman) Payton. He married Joann Walker in Fort Wayne on April 13, 1945. She Survives. He worked at Meadowgold Dairy in Fort Wayne for 37 years, then at Ames Dept. Store in Auburn for 10 years. He retired in 1991. Mr. Payton attended the Garrett Church of the Nazarene.

Surviving with the wife are two son, Dennis of Auburn, and Michael of Waterloo; two daughters, Karen Campbell of Aville, and Luann Zimmerman of Garrett; two brothers, Charles of Hustonville, Ky., and Jesse of Indianapolis; eight sisters, Chelcie Turpin of Hustonville, Ky., Virginia Corso, Elsie Davidson, Lois Crawley, Betty Wlaker, Rudell Fry and Jean Griffey, all of Indianapolis, and Josephine Humphrey of Stanford, Ky.; and nine grandchildren.

Services set for Henritta Kokenge

Henritta M. Kokenge, 93, died at 8:32 a.m. Tuesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn. She resided at 1035 Van Buren Street and had lived in the Auburn community since 1940. She was the mother of Marge Brennan, of Garrett.

Friends may call today from 3 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. at the McComb, Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home and also one hour before services at the church. Services will be held Friday at 10 a.m. at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 500 East Seventh Street, Auburn, with Father Thomas Lallak officiating. Burial will follow in the Auburn Catholic Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn.

Mrs. Kokenge was born April 13, 1899, in Garrett, the daughter of Joseph and Mary C. (Teders) Weaver. She married Edward L. Kokenge on June 17, 1920, in Garrett. He is deceased and was the owner of the Auburn City Hardware. Mrs. Kokenge was a homemaker and also a clerk at the Auburn City Hardware. She was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Auburn.

Surviving with the daughter is another daughter, Carolyn Kokenge, of Atlanta, GA; a son, Robert Kokenge, of Cedar Canyons, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

, April 8, 1993

David L. Bock, 55, dies in California

David L. (Windy) Bock, 55, died at 12:30 p.m. on April 4 at the Jerry L. Pettis Memorial Hospital in Loma Linda, Calif. He was a Garrett resident before moving to California in 1986.

Mr. Bock was born in Garrett on Nov. 16, 1937, to the late Walter and Helen (Hook) Bock. He served with the U.S. Army and was a Korean War veteran. He worked for the B & O Railroad for 16 years and was a self-employed truck driver.

Surviving are three sons, Frank, Garrett; Dennis, Auburn; and Dirk, Corona, Calif.; a daughter, Sybille Martinez, Corona, Calif.; a step-daughter, Alicia Snyder, Everett, Wash.; a sister, Charlotte Parvu, Garrett; three brothers, Max and Keith, Garrett; and Robert, Waterloo; and seven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Charles and Raymond.

Funeral arrangements are pending at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

April 12, 1993

Services set for Joana Grama, 70

Joana F. Grama, 70, of San Bernardino, Calif., died Monday, March 29, at the San Bernardino Hospital.

A memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Fr. Gary Sigler officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Heart Fund.

Mrs. Grama was born April 20, 1922, in Garrett to Andrew and Joan (Purece) Simon. She and John J. Grama were married in Willard, Ohio, on July 13, 1947. She was a homemaker and co-owner of the former Simon's Grocery in Garrett. She was a member of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church in San Bernardino, Calif.; Daughters of Isabella, Garrett American Legion Auxiliary and was a charter member of the VFW Auxiliary in Garrett.

Surviving with her husband are a son, James Richmond of Garrett, three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death are one sister, Florence Koch, and four brothers, John, Isidore, Andy and Nick Simon.

April 15, 1993

Services today for Elmer Shuman, 75

Elmer R. Shuman, 75, of Waterloo, died Tuesday at 1:20 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Private services will be today at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Rev. John Hostetter officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery. There is no calling.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the DeKalb Home Health Care.

Mr. Shuman was born May 22, 1917, in Waterloo to Roy and Grace (Obendorf) Shuman. He and Connie Blanchard were married on May 24, 1943, in Salina, Kan. She survives. Mr. Shuman retired in 1988 from Dana after 20 years. He was a World War II Army veteran and a member and past member of the Waterloo Masonic Lodge. He was a member of the Waterloo United Methodist Church, Knights of Pythias Lodge and Waterloo VFW.

Surviving with the wife are four sons, Mike of Hicksville, Ohio, Gary of Indianapolis, Phil of Omaha, Neb., and Mark of Garrett; 10 grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

April 19, 1993

Services held for Thomas Riedhart

Thomas Riedhart, 76, died Wednesday, April 14, at Winterhaven, Fla. He was a former Garrett resident and was the owner of Riedhart's Market in downtown Garrett.

Memorial services were held in Winterhaven. The family has requested preferred memorials to the American Lung Association.

His first wife, the former June Campbell, preceded him in death. Surviving are his second wife, Vivian, of 141 Zermatt Drive, Winterhaven, FL 33887. Also surviving are two children, Robert and Lucretia; two brothers, William of Lancaster, Calif.; and Joseph of Houston, Tex.; and two sisters, Florence Mowry of Tucson, Ariz.; and Frances Berry of Ventura, Calif.

Services were held for Ruth Perry, 79

Ruth N. Perry, 79, died Wednesday at 3:50 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Mrs. Perry was a lifetime resident of Garrett. She was born July 20, 1913 in Garrett to John A. and Effie M. (Farner) Cook. She married Everett L. Perry, he preceded her in death.

She retired in 1979 as a nurses' aide at St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne, with 15 years of service. She was a volunteer for a food bank and a member of the Church of the Cornerstone in Auburn.

Survivors include three nieces, Marilyn Hutsell and Jean Nebehy, both of Fort Wayne and Joan Filler of Columbia City; two nephews, Walter Cook of Fort Wayne and John Wetzel of Jackson, Mich.; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Judith Ann.

Services were held Saturday. Rev. H. Dean Woolard, pastor of the Church of the Cornerstone, officiated. Burial was in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn. McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, was in charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions are to the church.

Calling Tuesday for Harold Knapp, 92

Harold B. Knapp, 92, of 0807 CR 7, died Saturday at 11:34 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. Services will be held at the funeral home on Wednesday at 10 a.m. with Rev. William Haworth officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Knapp was born Feb. 22, 1901, in Fort Wayne. His parents were Fred and Laura (Rupert) Knapp. He and Francis Thompson were married Oct. 3, 1922, in Van Wert, Ohio. She preceded him in death on Jan. 28, 1961. Mr. Knapp was a farmer for 50 years and worked at Electric Motors for 10 years, retiring in 1962.

Survivors include three sons, Dale and Ivan of Auburn, and Norman of Garrett; four daughters, Imogene LaRowe of Waterloo, Reba Sliger of Corunna, Janet Groen of Fowler, and Myrna Demske of Avilla; 18 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

Preceding Mr. Knapp in death were a son, Elden, and a brother, Lawrence.

April 19, 1993

Man dies following bedroom fire

Michael S. Gonser, 37, died in a rooming house fire early Saturday morning in downtown Garrett.

The DeKalb County coroner has made a preliminary ruling that the cause of death was due to asphyxiation, as a result of the fire.

Mr. Gonser was treated at the scene of the fire on the second floor of B & E Bargain Shop at 109 1/2 Sourh Randolph Street at 4 a.m. Sunday morning. He was taken to DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he later died. His permanent address is unknown, but, according to Garrett police, his mother claimed the body and it was returned to Michigan for burial.

Garrett firemen responded to the fire at the rooming house. The fire was contained to the one room and a set of box springs.

Two other occupants of the rooming house were evacuated without injury.

Firemen remained on the scene until 6:30 p.m. Assisting the coroner's office, in addition to the local firemen were the Garrett Police, DeKalb County Sheriff and Indiana State police. The case remains under investigation.

, April 22, 1993

Services held for Thomas Roth, 74

Thomas J. Roth, 74, of Fort Wayne, died Sunday at his home. He was the father of Joseph Roth of Garrett. Services were held Wednesday at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church 3705 South Anthony Blvd., Fort Wayne. Burial was in Prairie Grove Cemetery, with military graveside rites by the American Legion Post No. 296.

Memorials are to the church or Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice Inc.

Mr. Roth was a lifelong resident of Fort Wayne. He was a World War II Army veteran and retired in 1982 after 43 years as a conductor for Conrail.

Surviving with his son, Joseph, are his wife, Olive J., another son, Richard T. of Akron, OH; a daughter, Colleen J. Papal of Fort Wayne; a brother, Edward of Fort Wayne; 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Calling Friday for Olive Rowe, 81

Olive L. Rowe, 81, of 401 East Keyser Street, died Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. at her home.

Friends may call from 2-8 p.m. Friday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Services will be held at the funeral home at 10 a.m. Saturday with Rev. Arthur Ferry officiating. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery, Kendallville.

Mrs. Rowe was born July 6, 1911, in Kalamazoo, Mich. Her parents were Frank and Hazel Louella Hubert. Her husband, Frank Rowe, preceded her in death in 1970.

Survivors include two sons, William of Garrett, and Richard of Waterloo; two daughters, Lorraine Coleman and Carol Parr, both of Garrett; 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Rowe was preceded in death by one son, Robert; two half-brothers, Leo and James Appleton, and one half-sister, Myrtle Appleton.

Calling today for Mildred Springer

Mildred G. Springer, 86, of Auburn, died Friday at 8:05 a.m. at Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Fr. Gary Sigler officiating. Calling will be today at McKee-Miles Funeral Home from 3 to 8 p.m. and one hour before the services at the church on Tuesday. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Mrs. Springer was born Dec. 8, 1906, in Garrett. Her parents were Curt and Elizabeth (Householder) Babbitt. She was a lifelong Garrett resident before moving to Auburn three years ago. She and Harry Springer were married in Michigan on July 26, 1924. He died April 9, 1976. She was a homemaker and a member of St. Joseph Church and the Garrett Eagles Auxiliary.

Survivors include one son, Elwood Dean Springer of Westerly, RI.; two grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and five cousins, Lois Woodcox of Auburn, Lester Babbitt and Lorraine Corry of Garrett, Georgia Lochner and Virginia Laux, both of Florida. She was preceded in death by one brother, Walter Babbitt.

April 26, 1993

Calling today for Beverly Hathaway

Beverly Hathaway, 64, of Garrett, died Saturday at 8 a.m. at St. Joseph Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

Friends may call from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the DeKalb County Chapter of the American Cancer Society.

Suvivors include her husband, Charles; two sons, Charles and Steven, both of Garrett; two daughters, Rhonda Haynes of Garrett, and Roxanne Desouzaguedes of Waterloo; six brothers, Eugene Aldrich of Fort Wayne, Wayne Aldrich of Angola, Clifford Aldrich of Roswell, N.M., Larry Aldrich, Bruce Aldrich and Lynn Aldrich, all of Hamilton; four sisters, Mina Palmer of Hamilton, Anna Kline of Auburn, Louise Johnston and Carol Lou Stultz, both of Hamilton; six grandchildren and one stepgrandaughter.

April 26, 1993

Services held for Joseph Kelham, 84

Joseph S. Kelham, 84, of Garrett, died Friday at 9:39 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor.

Services were held this morning at 10 a.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. Ellen Gingrich officiating. Burial was in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

The family requested preferred memorials to Altarstar United Methodist Church or the Garrett Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Kelham was born Oct. 5, 1908, in Noble County. His parents were Edward S. and Maude Mae (Smock) Kelham. He and Jeanette Saylor were married Aug. 30, 1930, in Fort Wayne. She preceded him in death on Sept. 9, 1992. He was retired from International Harvester where he had 30 years of service as a supervisor of transportation.

Mr. Kelham was a member of Altarstar Church, Auburn Garrett York Rite and a 50-year member in the Garrett Masonic Lodge and Fort Wayne Scottish Rite.

Survivors include two sons, Bill of Garrett, and Jack of Butler; two daughters, Jennie DePaolo of Garrett, and Patricia Kendig of Baltimore, Ohio; 14 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Russell and Ralph, and one sister, Georgia Hivley.

, May 3, 1993

Services set for L. D. Andrews, 94

Lawrence D. Andrews, 94, died Sunday at 1 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor. He had resided in Garrett for the past 77 years.

Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Services will be held Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Bill Haworth officiating. Burial will be in Huntertown Cemetery.

Mr. Andrews was born May 29, 1898, in Huntertown. His parents were Sidney and Della (Wyatt) Andrews. He was an engineer on the B & O Railroad for 49 years before retiring in 1963. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Survivors include five sons, Carl and Erle, both of Garrett, Robert of Bryan, Tex., Ralph of Newport Richey, Fla., and Richard of Clanton, Ala.; 21 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. Andrews was preceded in death by one daughter, Beverly Tucker; one brother, Theron; and three sisters, Mabel Carmen, Alma Bowers and Edna Shuster.

Memorial services set for Bud Shuff

Maurice A. "Bud" Shuff, 67, of Auburn, died Friday at 12:30 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Memorial services will be held Friday, May 7, at 5 p.m. at the Garrett Presbyterian Church with Rev. Bill Haworth officiating.

The family has requested preferred memorials to DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Shuff was born Jan. 21, 1926, in St. Joe. His parents were Harry and Lulu (Lutz) Shuff. He and Joy Beerbower were married July 22, 1949, in Angola. She survives. Mr. Shuff worked at Rieke Corp., in Auburn, for the past five years. Prior to that, he worked at White's Super Valu and Burger's IGA, both in Auburn. Mr. Shuff was a World War II Army veteran and a member of the Auburn American Legion.

Surviving with his wife are a son, Terry of Las Vegas; three daughters, Toni Johnson of Fort Wayne, Renee Case of Chicago; and Michelle Wilson of Auburn; four brothers, Charles of Flagstaff, Ariz., Robert of Auburn, James of Garrett and William of Fontana, Calif.; [illegible] sisters, Jackie Walker, Jackie White and Roseanne Kinsey, all of St. Joe, Joan Mills of Spencerville, Shirley Streets of Florida, Claudia Hulbert and Faye Tarlton, both of Auburn, Katherine Clady, Mary Jane Snook and Kaye Ells, all of Garrett, and Linda Sattison of Hamilton; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers.

, May 6, 1993

Services today for Marjorie Smith, 69

Marjorie J. Smith, 69, of Kendallville, died Monday at 6:12 p.m. at McCray Memorial Hospital.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. today at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. Ronald Stambaugh officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Smith was born Jan. 30, 1924, in Floyd County, Ky. Her parents were Buck Elem and Julia Hicks. She and Claude Smith were married on July 20, 1943, in Floyd County. He survives. She was an assembly worker at Electric Motors in Garrett before retiring in 1984. She attended the Waterloo Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Ashford of LaGrange; two daughters, Ilant Sue Tussey of Kendallville, and Mary Lou Fish of Greenfield; three brothers, Curtis Hicks of Moorehead, Ky., Leonard Hicks of Kendallville, and Samuel Hicks of Sharonville, Ohio; two sisters, Martha Prater of Moorehead, Ky., and Maggie Stephenson of Elizabethtown, Ky.; and six grandchildren. She was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.

Services today for Michael Zehr, 73

Michael M. Zehr, 73, of Fort Wayne, died Friday at his home.

Services were held at 10 a.m. this morning at D. O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Burial was in Leo Cemetery.

Memorials are requested to Dove's Nest, Georgetown or Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice, Inc.

Mr. Zehr was born in Grabill and lived in Fort Wayne most of his life. He retired in 1980 as owner and operator of Mike Zehr & Sons Decorators.

Servivors include his wife, Mabel; five sons, Jerold of Bowling Green, James, Michael and Archie, all of Fort Wayne, and Lynn of Garrett; one daughter, Joyce Brown of Bloomington; four brothers, Henry, Elmer and Sam, all of Leo, and Joel "Jack" of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Mabel Leavitt of Fort Wayne, and Mary Liechty of Grabill; 18 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

May 10, 1993

Services set for Lennie Wells, 68

Lennis A. Wells, 68, of Garrett, died Saturday at his home.

Friends may call today from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Services will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home with Dr. William N. Hodge officiating. Burial will be in Brushy Chapel Cemetery, rural LaGrange.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the American Diabetes Association.

Mr. Wells was born March 19, 1925, in Wellington, Ky. His parents were Buford and Nettie (Spencer) Wells. He and Ida Coney were married March 3, 1947, in Pleasant Lake.

Mr. Wells retired in 1973 from Warner Gear, Auburn, were he was a machine operator. He was a member of the Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors include his wife, Ida; one daughter, Andrea Kruse of Fort Wayne; three sons, Steve and Stacy, both of Garrett, and Len of Charlevoix, Mich.; four sisters, Janet Welker of LaGrange, Avis Warble of Stroh, Annis Popp and Wanda Wilson, both of Sanford, Fla.; nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

May 10, 1993

Calling today for Earl Linker, 80

Earl L.R. Linker, 80, of New Haven died Saturday at 1:40 p.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital.

Services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Martini Lutheran Church, 333 Moeller Road, New Haven. Calling will be from 3-9 p.m. today at E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, New Haven, and one hour before the services at the church. Burial will be in Concordia Cemetery Gardens.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the church.

Mr. Linker was born in Adams Township and lived in the New Haven area most of his life. He retired in 1970 from International Harvester after 38 years. His first wife, Ida, died in 1969.

Surviving are his wife, Leila; a son, Thomas of Garrett; two daughters, Sheryll Vondran and Paulette Gaffer, both of New Haven; a stepson, Al Knapp of Churubusco; two stepdaughters, Carlyne Krauter of New Haven and Delila Woodruff of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Vern of Decatur and Donald of Fort Wayne; four sisters, Estella Bruick of Sarasota, Fla., Irma Bearman, Evelyn Lepper and Vera Rohrbach, all of Fort Wayne; 23 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

May 13, 1993

Services held for Roland Harding, 78

Roland G. Harding, 78, of rural St. Joe, died Sunday at 3:25 a.m. at his home.

Services were held Wednesday at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, with Rev. Israel Gordon officiating. Burial was in Corunna Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Salvation Army.

Mr. Harding was born Sept. 20, 1914, in Garrett. His parents were Ralph and Audra (Roland) Harding. He and Martha A. Hanson were married on Jan. 13, 1934, in Auburn. She survives. Mr. Harding retired from Mobile Aerial Towers in Fort Wayne where he worked as a welder for 22 years. He was a member of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren and the National Rifle Association.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Carol Ann Wagner of Garrett, and Rosalie Renkenberger of St. Joe; four sons, Roland G. Jr. of Garrett, Kenneth L. and Daniel J., both of Auburn, and Leland D. of St. Joe; a sister, Eunice Rennecker of Auburn; 16 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

, May 17, 1993

Services held for Archie Stiles, 77

Archie V. Stiles, 77, of Auburn, died Thursday at 5:40 p.m. at DeKalb Health Care Center in Auburn.

Services were held Saturday at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Rev. Ralph Diehl officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Mr. Stiles was born Jan. 16, 1916, in Garrett. His parents were John and Lola (Casselman) Stiles. He was a construction worker and served in the U.S. Army. He was a World War II veteran.

Survivors include two daughters, June Dickson of Auburn, and Virginia Haas of Garrett; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

, May 20, 1993

Calling Friday for Billy Barger, 61

Billy Lee Barger, 61, of Auburn, died Wednesday morning at his home.

Friends may call from 2-9 p.m. Friday at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Services are pending for Saturday with Rev. Jimmy Shepherd of the Salem Community Baptist Church, Ligonier, officating. Burial will be in Embry Cemetery, south of Garrett.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Salem Community Baptist Church.

Mr. Barger was born May 7, 1932, in Morgan County, Tenn., to Alfred and Ollie (Oaten) Barger. He and Esther Maugherman were married March 31, 1972, in Garrett. She survives. Mr. Barger was a welder for 17 years at Garrett Tubular Products in Garrett.

Surviving with the wife are two sons, Jeffery L. and Terry L., both of Garrett; three daughters, Robin R. Potter and Lori A. Hatton, both of Garrett, and Patsy J. Thornsbearry of Ligonier; one step-son, Donald E. Beber of Auburn; two step-daughters, Beverly A. Smith of North Port, Fla., and Patricia K. Beber of Carrie, Ky.; one brother, Denzil Barger of Garrett; two sisters, Leona Ditmar of Garrett, and Reba Bradshaw of Crossville, Tenn.; 15 grandchildren, 10 step-grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Timmy, one step-son, Robert Beber, four brothers and two sisters.

, May 20, 1993

Services Saturday for Mary Jane Perkins

Mary Jane Perkins, of Fort Wayne, died Wednesday at 4:45 a.m.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Calvary Temple Worship Center, Fort Wayne, with calling from 2-8 p.m. on Friday at C. M. Sloan Funeral Home on Wells Street in Fort Wayne.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Calvary Temple Church or the family.

Survivors include her husband, James; five daughters, Irene Myers of Garrett, Darlene Riley of Butler, Tina Martin and Elaine Beck, both of Fort Wayne, Christine Lloyd of Kettering, Ohio, and Marilyn Couch of Amboy; three sons, Kenneth Perkins of Lexington, Ky., Jerry Perkins of Nicholasville, Ky., and Lloyd Perkins of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Sarah Ritchie and Doris Shoop; one brother, Jerry King; one half-brother, Kelly King; one half-sister, Garnet Trent; 26 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three daughters, Lyda Ruth, Lorraine and Helen.

, May 24, 1993

Naomi Carnahan dies at age 73

Naomi Carnahan, 73, of Auburn, died Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services were held Saturday at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Pastor Earl Chapman of Oakwood, Ohio, officiating. Burial was in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, near Garrett.

Mrs. Carnahan was born Jan. 10, 1920, in Allen County. Her parents were Perry and Ola (Bishop) Myers. She and Omer C. Carnahan were married on Oct. 18, 1939, in Allen County. He preceded her in death on July 16, 1992. Mrs. Carnahan retired in 1983 from Montgomery Ward, and she was a former Auburn Telephone Co. employee. She was a member of the Altarstar United Methodist Church.

Survivors include one son, Calvin of San Jose, Calif.; one daughter, Marjorie Newfer of Grabill; one brother, Milton Myers of Auburn; two sisters, Bernice Schowen of Auburn and Orpha Weller of Garrett; and two grandchildren.

May 24, 1993

Services held for Gertrude Walter

Gertrude B. Walter, 91, of Kendallville, died Wednesday at 6:10 p.m. at Shepherd of the Hill in Kendallville.

Mrs. Walter was born April 25, 1902, in Kendallville. Her parents were Walter and Sarah (Zumbrun) Trowbridge. Her first husband, John O. Hartman, preceded her in death in 1957. She married Wilbur Walter on Aug. 29, 1965. He preceded her in death in 1974.

Mrs. Walter was a member of the Ladies Aide of Zion Luthern Church.

Survivors include three sons, Ralph Hartman, Harold Hartman and Walter "Buster" Hartman, all of Kendallville; one daughter, Berniece Freeman, of Garrett; one sister, Marjorie Erick, of Sturgis, MI; 13 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday at Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. Rev. Herbert Schumm officiated. Burial was in the Zion Lutheran W. Fairfield Cemetery, Corunna.

Preferred memorials are to the Zion Lutheran Church Building Fund.

Services held for Bernard Franklin

Bernard R. "Ben" Franklin, 77, of Fort Wayne, died Wednesday at St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Saturday at D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home and at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Church. Burial was in Catholic Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Moose Lodge.

Mr. Franklin was born in Turton, S.D., and had lived in Fort Wayne since 1938. He retired in 1978 from the City Water Filtration Plant after 18 years of service.

Survivors include his wife, Bessie; two sons, Michael of Fort Wayne, and Ben Richard of Punta Gorda, Fla.; five daughters, Judith Demeres, Linda Alles, Suzanne Klug, Katherine Protsman and Antonia Folds, all of Fort Wayne; a stepson, Richard Hauser of Kendallville; a stepdaughter, Katherine Dickinson; four sisters, Olive McCoy of Woodburn, Mary Ganger and Elsie Linthicum, both of Fort Wayne, and Wava Robertson of Garrett; 22 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

, May 24, 1993

Services today for Virgil Bassett, 64

Virgil Bassett, 64, of Auburn, died Friday at 11 a.m. at Woodridge Health Care Center, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Bassett owned and operated Bassett Office Supply in Auburn since 1973. He also was the DeKalb County weights and measures inspector for the past 20 years.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. today at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Burial will be in Zion Cemetery, Golden Lake.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Crossroads Fort Wayne Children's Home.

Survivors include his wife, Linda; two sons, Jeff of Auburn, and David of Stroh; one daughter, Patti Warstler of Garrett; two brothers, Merle of Auburn, and Richard of Kendallville; a sister, Dessie Biddle of Dousman, Wisc.; and five grandchildren.

Services held for Carlson Platz, 80

Carlson Platz, 80, of Bradenton, Fla., died May 11. He and his wife formerly owned the Garrett Convalescent Home.

Memorial services were held Saturday at Trinity English Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne. Burial was in Lindenwood Cemetery. Arrangements were by Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Home.

The family requests preferred memorials to Hospice of Southwest Florida in Bradenton or to the church where he was a member.

Mr. Platz was born in Fort Wayne. He retired in 1981 as manager of Churchills of Birmingham Tobacco Shop, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include his wife Mary; three sons, Larry of Fort Wayne, David of Columbia City, and Robert of Leo; a sister, Violet Zelt of Fort Wayne; and seven grandchildren.

Services held for Robert Marks, 63

Robert Eugene Marks, 63, of Corunna, died Thursday, May 27, at his home. He had been ill since November, 1992.

Services were held on Saturday, May 29, at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Phillip Carmichael Jr. officiating. Burial was in Corunna Cemetery.

The family requested preferred memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Marks was born July 15, 1929, in Auburn to Ira Raymond and Thelma Mae (Pence) Marks. He and Alice June Carmichael were married Dec. 30, 1976, in Auburn. She survives.

Mr. Marks retired from Conrail in June 1991 after 30 years of service. He was a World War II Navy veterans, a member of Masonic Lodge No. 614, F.&A. M., Ashley, Valley of Fort Wayne Scottish Rite, Auburn-Garrett York Rite, Fraternal Order of Eagles in Garrett, a life member of Garrett VFW Post, and Knight Templer Scottish Rite.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Mrs. Herb (Cheryl) Scheerers of Homosassa, Fla.; a son, Randy Marks of Topeka; two half-sisters, Janet and Carol Marks, both of Auburn; a brother, Cleo "Clem" Marks of Corunna; a half-brother, James L. Marks Sr. of Centerville, Iowa; and one grandchild.

June 3, 1993

Services were held for John Ratrie

John Ratrie, 75, of 7404 Grand Pine Drive, Hudson, FL 34667, died May 26 following hip surgery.

Services were held on May 27 in Florida.

Mr. Ratrie was born Sept. 13, 1917, in Garrett. His parents were Wilford and Cleo (Jamison) Ratrie. He and Georgia Kreisher were married in 1941. She survives.

He was a graduate of the class of 1935 at Garrett High School. He was an engineer on the B & O Railroad and retired as a Junior Executive for International Railroad Systems. Mr. Ratrie was in the Costal Artillery. He was a 50 year Master Mason, a 32nd Degree Mason and also belonged to the Shriners.

Survivors include his wife, two daughters, Janice of Willard, Ohio, and Bonnie, of Hollywood, Fla.; one sister, Helen, of Garrett; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was a nephew of the late Quentin Olan Ratrie.

June 7, 1993

Services today for Ella Griffin, 87

Ella C. Griffin, 87, of Cromwell, died Thursday at 1:45 p.m. at Ligonier Health Facility.

Mrs. Griffin was born Aug. 13, 1906, in Butler Township of DeKalb County to Elmer P. and Effie Mae Griffin.

She is retired from Essex Wire Company. As a teenager, she was a charter member of the Allen County Pony Club.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Clinton Griffin and John Griffin, and one sister, Hilda Brogan.

Survivors include two nephews, five nieces and several grand nephews and nieces including Shirley Savage Frain.

Services will be held today at 10:30 a.m. at Ulrey-Renner Funeral Home, Ligonier. Burial will be in Spartan Cemetery.

Memorials are to the Spartan Church of Christ.

, June 10, 1993

Services set for Thomas Riedhart

Graveside services for Thomas Riedhart will be Tuesday at 3 p.m. at Christian Union Cemetery. Father Gary Sigler will officiate. Mr. Riedhart died April 14 in Winter Haven, Fla.

Mr. Riedhart was a former Garrett resident and was owner of Riedhart's Market in downtown Garrett.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the American Lung Association.

His first wife, the former June Campbell, preceded him in death.

Surviving are his second wife, Vivian (Mann) Riedhart; one son, Robert Riedhart of Dixon, Ill.; one daughter, Lucretia Riedhart of Fort Wayne; one step-son, David Mann of Melbourn, Fla.; two brothers, William of Lancaster, Calif.; and Joseph of Houston, Tex.; two sisters, Florence Mowry of Tucson, Ariz., and Frances Berry of Ventura, Calif.; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Services held for Tony Lemish, 84

Anthony G. "Tony" Lemish, 84, of Auburn, died Monday at 7:15 p.m. He was a former Garrett resident.

Services were held this morning at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Auburn, with Father Gary Sigler officiating. Burial was in Catholic Cemetery, Auburn. Feller Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Immaculate Conception Church, St. Joseph Catholic School in Garrett, St. Vincent de Paul Store in Garrett, or the Children First Center in Auburn.

Mr. Lemish was born July 13, 1908, in Garrett to Joseph and Anna (Paluszak) Lemish. He and Dorothy M. Palmer were married Jan. 24, 1931, in Garrett. She preceded him in death on May 21, 1972.

Mr. Lemish was the owner of Lemish Grocery in Auburn from 1944-78. He formerly was the manager of Reidhart Meat Market in Garrett from 1936-42 and worked on the B & O Railroad from 1942-48 as a brakeman. He was a director, manager and coach of the Auburn Little League for 30 years. He managed an Auburn Pony League team for five years and was the manager of the first Auburn High School summer league baseball program.

He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, the Auburn Lions Club and the Auburn Moose Lodge. He was a charter member and first exaluted ruler of the Auburn Elks Lodge and was a past exalted ruler of the Garrett Elks Lodge. Mr. Lemish was a fourth degree member of the Knights of Columbus and a past director of the Auburn Chamber of Commerce and Auburn Lions Club. He was a past member of the Auburn Police Reserve and a former treasurer of the DeKalb County Fair Association.

Survivors include one son, Donald Lemish of Harrisonburg, Va.; one daughter, Rebecca (Mrs. Charles) Derrow of Auburn; one brother, Albert of Fort Wayne; one sister, Rose Lubomirski of Fort Wayne; five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren.

Two brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

Services pending for Si Johnston

Charles "Si" Johnston, 87, died Tuesday, June 8, at Palms Healthcare Center, Sebring, Fla. He is a former Garrett resident.

Memorial services and burial will be held in Garrett. Services time is pending.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Johnston moved to Sebring from Garrett in 1977. He was a retired B & O Railroad conductor. He was a former member of the Garrett Elks Lodge and Garrett Eagles.

Mr. Johnston was the son of Albert and Bessie (Latson) Johnston. He is survived by his wife, Barbara, of 500 Arlington Place, Sebing, FL 33870; one son, Bill Mavity of Sebring; one sister, Sarah Jane Eynon of Cincinnati; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

, June 10, 1993

June 14, 1993

Services held for Jason Blevins, 14

Jason D. Blevins, 14, of 1166 CR 64, Garrett, died at 9:20 a.m. Wednesday at Parkview Memorial Hospital. An accidental shooting was listed as the cause of death.

Services were held Sunday at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Arthur Ferry officiating. Burial was in Cedar Creek Cemetery. McKee-Miles Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Preferred memorials are to the family.

Jason was born March 28, 1979, in Auburn. His parents are Glenda and Ronald Miller of Garrett, and Jacob D. Blevins of Auburn.

Jason had just completed eighth grade at Garrett High School. He was active in all sports and participated in the drama productions. He was the starting pitcher on Lance's baseball team in the Sandy Koufax League. He also was past president of D.A.R.E.

Surviving with his parents are a brother, Steven Blevins of Garrett; three step-sisters, Kathy Chastine of Butler, Lana Ott of Pittsburg, Pa., and Amy Blevins of Auburn; four grandparents, Freddie Howell of Garrett, Charles and Elsie Miller of Orland, and Marge Blevins of Auburn.

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Services today for Judge Harold Stump

Former DeKalb Circuit Court Judge, Harold D. Stump, died Friday at 10:15 a.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was 75 years old.

Judge Stump presided as judge in the DeKalb County Court for 30 years, retiring in 1988. He succeeded his father, who served as judge from 1947-58.

Mr. Stump was born Oct. 28, 1917, in Auburn, to Walter D. and Clementine (Hartsock) Stump. He graduated from Auburn High School in 1935, from Indiana University in 1939 and the Indiana University School of Law in 1942.

Mr. Stump and Letha "Sue" Smith were married on May 5, 1968, in Auburn. She survives.

He served with the FBI for two years and was a veteran of the U. S. Marine Corps, serving in the Pacific Theater during World War II. Before becoming circuit court judge, Mr. Stump served as judge of the former Auburn City Court for 10 years.

Mr. Stump was one of the chief organizers of the Region II Foster Care Services, Inc., and appointed the committee that founded DeKalb Memorial Hospital in the 1960's.

In 1989 Gov. Evan Bayh bestowed Indiana's highest honor on Mr. Stump by making him a Sagamore of the Wabash.

Services will be at 11 a.m. today at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Auburn, with Rev. Jeremy Russell officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery with the Auburn American Legion conducting military graveside services. Feller Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Disabled American Veterans Association or the Arthritis Foundation.

Surviving with the wife are two daughters, Carolyn Clem of Warrenton, Va., and Dianna Hutson of San Antonio, Tex.; a stepson, Delano Troyer of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren, three step-grandchidren and seven step-great-grandchildren.

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Graveside services this morning for Francis Hollis, 73

Francis F. Hollis, 73, of 316 West Fifth Avenue, died Saturday at 4:35 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. this morning at Christian Union Cemetery. Pastor John A. Karn will officiate. McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Miller's Merry Manor or Alzhiemer Association.

Mr. Hollis was born Aug. 27, 1919, in Fort Wayne. His parents were Joseph and Isabell (Campbell) Hollis. He and Doris Bertsch were married Dec. 2, 1940, in Defiance, Ohio. She survives. He worked at GE in Fort Wayne as a tool and die maker for 40 years, retiring in 1982. Mr. Hollis was a World War II Army Air Corp veteran and a member of the Garrett American Legion.

Surviving with the wife are two daughters, Susan Dunn and Jacqueline Freed, both of Garrett; two brothers, Forrest and Marion Hollis, both of Garrett; three sisters, Kathryn Thomas of Garrett, Dolores Frymier of Kendallville, and Donna Fike of Auburn; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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Services set for Thomas Riedhart

Graveside services for Thomas Riedhart will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Christian Union Cemetery. Father Gary Sigler will officiate. Mr. Riedhart died April 14 in Winter Haven, Fla.

Mr. Riedhart was a former Garrett resident and was owner of Riedhart's Market in downtown Garrett.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the American Lung Association.

His first wife, the former June Campbell, preceded him in death.

Surviving are his second wife, Vivian (Mann) Riedhart; one son, Robert Riedhart of Dixon, Ill.; one daughter, Lucretia Riedhart of Fort Wayne; one step-son, David Mann of Melbourn, Fla.; two brothers, William of Lancaster, Calif.; and Joseph of Houston, Tex.; two sisters, Florence Mowry of Tucson, Ariz., and Frances Berry of Ventura, Calif.; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Ellen V. Rice dies at age of 77

Ellen V. Rice, 77, of Avilla, died Thursday at 11:40 p.m. at Sacred Heart Home, in Avilla.

Mrs. Rice was a former Garrett resident. She was born March 5, 1916 in Altona to Henry and Rose (Salerno) DeParis.

She was a waitress in California for 44 years and a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Survivors include one son, Pedro Colon of Lake Forrest, Calif., one brother, Valatine (Rudy) DeParis of Las Vegas, Nev.; two sisters, Elizabeth Taylor of Fremont and Nonny Morse of Avilla; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

There will be no calling or services. McKee-Miles Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Animal Shelter.

June 21, 1993

Son of Tad and Deanna Schmidt dies in Florida

Todd Dillon Schmidt, 29, Gull Drive, Daytona Beach, Fla., died Thursday at his residence after a lengthy illness.

Born in Lansing, Mich., Mr. Schmidt moved to Florida in 1992 from Auburn. He was Materials Handling Manager for Fleetwood Enterprises' Garrett plant; a member of the First United Methodist Church of Port Orange, Fla., a 1982 graduate of Quincy High School, Quincy, Mich., and was an Air Force veteran.

Survivors include his parents, former Garrett residents, Tad and Deanna (Dillon) Schmidt of Daytona Beach (former owners of the Quincy, Mich., Golf Club); one brother, Timothy, Angola; and paternal grandmother, Mrs. Harvey (Arlene) Schmidt, Edgewater, Fla. Also surviving are an aunt and uncle, Sharon and Wilbur Grubb, of Garrett.

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 19, at the Settle-Wilder Edgewater Chapel with the Reverend Trail Heitzenrater, First Methodist United Church of Port Orange, officiating. Interment was in Edgewater Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to Hospice of Volusia/Flagler, 655 North Clyde Morris Blvd., Daytona Beach, FL 32114.

Settle-Wilder Funeral Home, 1620 Edgewater Drive, Edgewater, is in charge of arrangements.

Accident victim relative of Garrett residents

Peter Johnston, 19, of Fort Wayne, who was killed Thursday morning on Tonkel Road on the way to swim practice in Auburn was the grandson of former resident Beverly Burtch Johnston, now of Fort Wayne.

Pete was a nephew of Mrs. Richard Lewellyn and Mrs. George McIntosh, both of Garrett.

Mr. Johnston was a passenger in a car driven by Michael Leeper, 18, of Fort Wayne.

Pete was a student at Indiana University and Fort Wayne Aquatics. He had competed in National Olympic swim meets in many states and won several first place honors.

He was invited to compete in the U. S. Olympic Sports Festival July 22-Aug. 3rd in San Antonio, Tex. His coach said he could become one of the top 100-meter freestyle swimmers in three years and his goal was to try out for the 1996 Olympics.

There are plans to honor Pete in a ceremony at the Sports Festival in San Antonio.

Services held for Sherry Villagran

Sherry (Friedel) Villagran, 37, of Angola, died Wednesday at 8:50 p.m. at her home.

Graveside services were held Saturday in Butler Cemetery, with Rev. John Garrison officiating. Klink Funeral Home, Angola, was in charge of arrangements.

The memorials are directed to the family.

Mrs. Villagran was born Oct. 30, 1955, in Auburn, to Paul and Martha (Krentz) Friedel. She and Mayner Villagran were married in 1986. He survives. Mrs. Villagran worked as a trainer at Community Living in Angola.

Surviving with the husband, are her mother, Martha Friedel; on son, Noah; one daughter, Gretchen, both at home; one brother, Jeremy Friedel of Auburn; three sisters, Paula Hampel of Hamilton, Bonnie Friedel of Auburn, and Penny Nichols of Garrett; and a grandfather, Walter Krentz of Tekonsha, Mich.

, June 21, 1993

Services held for Caro Haskins, 92

Caro A. Haskins, 92, of Hamilton, died Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. in Carlin Park Nursing Home, Angola.

Services were held Saturday at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Rev. Hershel Murray, pastor of the Hamilton United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Hamilton Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Hamilton United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Haskins was born Oct. 30, 1890, in Hamilton to James and Daisy (Earlston) Harger. She and Leon B. Haskins were married Feb. 1, 1919, in Angola. He survives. Mrs. Haskins was co-manager of the Hamilton Standard Oil station with her husband from 1944-1960. She was a member of the Hamilton Rebekah Lodge and the Hamilton Pythian Sisters.

Surviving with the husband are two sons, LaMar of Okeechobee, Fla., and George of Waterloo; one brother, Raymond Harger of Hamilton; three sisters, Margery Campbell of Angola, Doris Lechleidner of Butler, and Georgia Westfall of Garrett; five grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

, June 24, 1993

Calling Friday for Rose Bianski, 83

Rose A. Bianski, 83, died Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor where she had resided for the past year.

Friends may call from 2-8 p.m. Friday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Rosary services will be at 4:30 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Funeral services will be Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at Immaculate Conception Church in Ege, with Father Gary Sigler, pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, officiating. Burial will be in Ege Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Masses or St. Joseph School, Garrett.

Mrs. Bianski was born Feb. 24, 1910, in Ege to Frank and Frances (Bloom) Schenher. She and John J. Bianski were married on May 8, 1935, in Ege. He preceded her in death in 1965.

Mrs. Bianski was formerly of Churubusco and had lived in Fort Wayne since 1979. She was a pharmacy aide at St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne. Mrs. Bianski was a member of St. Jude's Catholic Church in Fort Wayne and the Rosary Society at Immaculate Conception Church in Ege.

Survivors include two daughters, Marilyn Feagler of Garrett, and Shirley Fisher of Hagerstown; one brother, Rober Schenher of Churubusco; three sisters, Catherine Markin of Venice, Fla., Agnes Grim and Clara Dafforn, both of Avilla; 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Paul Schenher, and one sister, Gertrude Bobay.

, July 24, 1993

Calling today for Father Tom Lallak

Father F. Thomas Lallak, 54, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church, Auburn, died Tuesday at 12:34 a.m. at his home. He had been pastor in Auburn for the past five years.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. An evening prayer service for the deceased will be recited and sung this evening at 7:30 p.m. at the church. A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Friday in the church. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorial contributions are requested to the Father Tom Lallak Tennis Scholarship in care of DeKalb High School, or to St. Meinard Seminary.

McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

Father Lallak was born July 9, 1938, in Fort Wayne to Frank T. and Irene (Becker) Lallak. His mother survives in Fort Wayne.

He was ordained as a priest on May 30, 1964. He attended Our Lady of the Lake Seminary and graduated from St. Meinrad Seminary in St. Meinrad, Ind. Prior to coming to Auburn, Father Lallak was pastor at St. Mary of Assumption Catholic Church in South Bend for nine years and an assistant pastor at St. John the Baptist and St. Anthony's Catholic churches in South Bend.

Father Lallak was a fourth degree member of the Knights of Columbus No. 9186. He was an assistant boys' and girls' tennis coach at DeKalb High School, a member of the Fraternal Order of Police in South Bend, and served as chaplain of the South Bend Police Department. He was a member of the South Bend Historical Society.

Surviving with his mother are a brother, Terrence M.; a sister-in-law, Susan E. Tom; one niece, Jennifer Lallak of Chicago; and one nephew, Mark K. Lallak of Boston.

Former resident, Bill Duerk, dies

William A. Duerk, formerly of Garrett, died at 1 a.m., June 21, in Washington, D.C. after a short illness.

Bill was born Nov. 12, 1942, in Beechgrove, Ind. to William A. and Edith Duerk, both of whom preceded him in death.

He graduated from Garrett High School in 1960 and later from I.U. School of Law. He was a practicing attorney in Washington, D.C.

He is survived by his wife, Ann, two sons, Adam and Josh, and a sister, Linda Kock of Garrett.

His remains are to be cremated with no services per his wishes.

, June 28, 1993

Services held for Charles Dame, 93

Charles E. Dame, 93, of 700 East King Street, died Wednesday at 7 p.m. at his home.

Services were held Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Arthur G. Ferry officiating. The Garrett Masonic Lodge held services on Saturday evening at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to First Baptist Church.

Mr. Dame was born May 2, 1900, in Muskegon County, Mich., to Oscar and Eva Mae (Hyde) Dame. He and Kathryn J. Pausel were married on Nov. 29, 1923, in Garrett. She preceded him in death on July 2, 1992. He was an engineer on the B & O Railroad for 46 years, retiring in 1965.

Mr. Dame was a 50-year member of the Scottish Rite and Garrett Masonic Lodge. He was a York Rite Mason, 50-year member of the Garrett Eagles and a member of the First Baptist Church for 72 years.

Survivors include three sons, Donald of Garrett, Robert of Stow, Oh., and Richard of Temple City, Calif.; two brothers, Orlo of Comstock Park, Mich., and Alton of Rockford, Mich.; four sisters, Rose Loveless of Fallmouth, Mich., Myra Mongar of Manton, Mich., Minnie Corcoran of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Anna Lanning of Rockford, Mich.; six grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, George and Roy, one sister, Mabel Lewis, two granddaughters and one great-granddaughter.

, July 1, 1993

Services held for Harold Harvey, 50

Harold H. Harvey, 50, of Lake Gaston, N.C., died Sunday, June 20, at 7:15 a.m. at his home. He was a 1961 graduate of Garrett High School.

Services were held at Blaylock Funeral Home in Warrenton, N.C., with Bishop William Garner officiating. Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery in Warrenton with full military services.

Mr. Harvey was born Feb. 22, 1943, in Leominster, Mass. He and Joan Berges were married Dec. 24, 1981. She survives. Mr. Harvey served in the U.S. Air Force from 1961 to 1965 and then served with the U.S. Navy from 1966 to 1981 when he retired as Chief Petty Officer and E.T.C. He is a Viet Nam Veteran.

Surviving are his mother, Jacqueline (Metivier) Bleeks of Auburn; one son, Jason of Batesville, Va.; two step-children, Daniel and Jean Berges of Virginia Beach, Va.; one brother, William G. Harvey of Scranton, Pa.; one half-brother, Robert P. Hall of Auburn; two half-sisters, Mrs. Gertrude Judson of Garrett, and Mrs. Diane Wallace of Auburn; and two step-grandchildren.

Mr. Harvey was preceded in death by his father, Harold H. Harvey, Sr.

Services Tuesday for Nathan Rayle

Nathan Thomas Rayle was stillborn Thursday, July 1, at 1:42 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He is the son of Troy A. and Sarah M. (Somers) Rayle, of 6365 CR 45, St. Joe.

Services will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Christian Union Cemetery with Fr. Gary Sigler officiating. There is no calling. McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Surviving with the parents are two brothers, Paul and Aaron, at home; paternal grandparents, Fred and Nancy Rayle of Garrett; maternal grandparents, Donald and Mary Jane Somers of Cadiz, Ky.; and two great-grandmothers, Naomi Somers of Bluffton, and Mary Hole of Delphos, Ohio.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Daniel Scott Rayle.

Services held for Olivia Schwertel

Olivia Schwertel, 83, died in the evening on Wednesday, June 30, in Galesberg, Wisc., the result of a tragic car accident near her home. She was the grandmother of Greg Moe, of 516 East King Street.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. in Galesberg.

Mrs. Schwertel had resided in Wisconsin her entire life. She and her husband, Joseph, deceased, were the parents of five daughters. She was a housewife and also a seamstress, working out of her home.

Survivors include five daughters, one of whom is Joann Moe, mother of Greg Moe, 25 grandchildren and several great-grandchilldren.

, July 5, 1993

Memorial services for Si Johnston to be Thursday

Memorial rites for Charles "Si" Johnston will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, July 8, at the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Following the services, his widow, Barbara (Dirr) Johnston, and son, Bill Mavity, will receive relatives and friends in the fellowship room.

Mr. Johnston died June 8 in Sebring, FL, where he had resided since 1977 following his retirement from the B&O Railroad where he had worked as a conductor.

He was born Oct. 24, 1905, to Albert and Bessie (Latson) Johnston.

Survivors other than the wife and son are one sister, Sarah Jane Eynon, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

, July 8, 1993

Services set for Raymond Renfrow

Raymond T. Renfrow, 34, of Ashley, died Sunday in a drowning accident at Bixler Lake, Kendallville. His body was recovered by divers at 11:20 a.m. Monday.

Services will be Friday at 11 a.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Calling will be today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Burial will be in Leo Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Mr. Renfrow was born May 14, 1959, in Fort Wayne. His parents are Myrtle J. (Lindsay) Renfrow, of Garrett, and the late Roscoe R. Renfrow. He and Ellamae Parke were married Oct. 16, 1982. She survives.

He has lived in Ashley for the past eight years. Prior to that he lived in St. Joe. He was a die-cast operator for Kitchen Quip in Waterloo, where he was president of the local UAW union.

Surviving with the mother and wife are a son, Brandon, at home; two daughters, Carrie and Terri, also at home; five brothers, Oscar C., James O., Leon R. and Richard W., all of Auburn, and Clint T. of Waterloo; and four sisters, Martina J. Fell of Waterloo, Linda L. Fell of Spencerville, Laura E. Harris of Social Circle, Ga., and Mary L. Vintilla of Auburn.

One brother, Harden, preceded him in death.

Services today for Beatrice Spencer

Beatrice M. Spencer, 96, died Sunday, July 4, at 2:15 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor, where she had resided for the past two years. She was a lifetime Garrett resident at 814 South Cowen Street.

Services were held this morning at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. Gary Welch officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the First Church of Christ or Miller's Merry Manor Resident Activity Fund.

Mrs. Spencer was born Aug. 28, 1896, in Hudson. Her parents were John W. and Nellie M. (Ringler) Strawser. She and Jasper B. "JB" Spencer were married Oct. 10, 1913, in Auburn. He preceded her in death on Jan. 17, 1978.

Mrs. Spencer was a member of the First Church of Christ, Brotherhood of Engineers and Firemen Auxiliary, Live, Laugh and Learn Home Demonstration Club and the Neighborhood Birthday Club.

Survivors include three daughters, Eleanor Smith and June Kock, both of Garrett, and Betty Harris of Mt. Prospect, Ill.; two sons, John of Norfolk, Va., and Bob of Branson, Mo.; 12 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Spencer was preceded in death by one sister, Rhoda R. Miller, one daughter, Henrietta, and one grandchild, John Harris.

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, July 12, 1993

Services today for Sarah Karnes, 62

Sarah A. Karnes, 62, of Defiance, Ohio, died Thursday, July 8, at Defiance Hospital. She was a 1949 graduate of Garrett High School.

Services were held this morning at 10 a.m. at Mast-Mock-Hoffman Funeral Home in Defiance with Rev. John Hess officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Defiance.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the First Presbyterian Church, where she was a member, or the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Karnes was born May 22, 1931, in Pierceton. Her parents were Alfred R. and Esther (Clark) McCarter. She and John V. Karnes were married in 1959. He survives.

Other survivors include three sons, Philip of Bryan, Ohio, Steven of Mission Viejo, Calif., and John of Waverly, Ohio; one daughter, Mrs. Jeff (Sarah) Schaffer of Defiance; and nine grandchildren. One daughter, Susan Williams, preceded her in death.

Jerry Neafus dies after brief illness

Former resident and owner of the Garrett A & W Rootbeer Drive Inn and Caboose, Jerry Neafus, died last Friday in Fort Myers, Fla. He owned the business which is now the Dairy Queen from 1969 to 1983. Mr. Neafus had been ill since February.

Memorial services were held Tuesday at Riverside Baptist Church in Fort Myers.

Survivors include one daughter, Kimberly Conrad of Angola; his wife, Judy; twin sisters, Marol and Carol Neafus of Edenburg; one brother, Don Neafus of Columbus; and his mother, Catherine Neafus of Edenburg.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the American Cancer Society.

, July 15, 1993

I-69 accident claims lives of two officers

An accident Wednesday morning on Interstate 69 near Auburn, claimed the lives of two Alabama police officers.

James Fulton Judd, 61, of Mulga, Ala., and John Henry Kennedy, Jr., 40, deputies for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department at Birmingham, were transporting a prisoner back to Alabama when a fellow officer [illegible]

Both officers died instantly when their unmarked car landed after sailing over a small drainage ditch. They were heading south on I-69 at 4:45 a.m. when their vehicle ran off the pavement at the start of a bridge construction zone, just south of the State Road 8 exit.

John R. Riede, 45, of Saginaw, the accused felon, was taken to DeKalb Memorial Hospital for treatment of chest pains.

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Calling Tuesday for Gladys Sharp, 91

Gladys F. Sharp, 91, Regency Place, Greenwood, died at 8:15 a.m. Sunday.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at Shirley Brothers Funeral Home Thompson Road Chapel, Indianapolis. Rev. Shan Rutherford will officiate. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery. Friends may call from 3-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Greenwood Christian Church.

Mrs. Sharp was born May 8, 1902, in Johnson County. Her parents were George H. and Nettie (Short) Boner. She and Norval J. Sharp were married Nov. 4, 1945. He preceded her in death on Feb. 9, 1977.

Mrs. Sharp was a saleman for Wm. H. Block Co. in Indianapolis for 14 years and sold Stanley Home Products for 21 years until her retirement. She was a member of the Greenwood Christian Church, Whiteland Home Demonstration Club, Phythian Sisters and Glade-Aid Society.

Survivors include three daughters, Dorothy Melloan of Beech Grove, Jackie Umbarger of Greenwood, and Bonnie Miles of Garrett; six grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Services held for Lucille Keyes, 75

Lucille (Hagerty) Keyes, 75, of Fremont, died Tuesday at 2:52 p.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Friday at Beams Funeral Home, Fremont, with Dr. J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial was in Hamilton Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Steuben County Heart Association.

Mrs. Keyes was born Sept. 15, 1917, in Bedford. Her parents were Cornelius and Orpha (Brown) McPheeters. Her first husband, Oliver Hagerty, preceded her in death in 1954. Her second husband, William Keyes, died in 1970. She was a homemaker and member of the Fremont Order of Eastern STar.

Survivors include one son, Tom Hagerty of Tekonsha, Mich.; one daughter, Mrs. Bill (Sally) Fifer of Angola; two stepdaughters, Lorna Knisely and June Crandall, both of Fremont; one step-son, Bud Keyes of Fremont; two sisters, Mildred McPheeters of Garrett, and Ruth Dirrim of Wabash; five brothers, Jess McPheeters of California, Dan McPheeters of Fort Wayne, and Jack, Gary and Maurice McPheeters, all of Garrett; one grandson; eight step-grandchildren and seven step-great-grandchildren.

, July 19, 1993

Services today for Edna Eldridge, 94

Edna M. Eldridge, 94, of 404 East High Street, died Thursday at 7:24 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. Summers Clark officiating. Burial will be in Sedan Cemetery.

Mrs. Eldridge was born Dec. 16, 1898, in Auburn. Her parents were Orestis R. and Mary Belle (Monroe) May. She was a housewife and married to Walter I. Eldridge on Sept. 2, 1917. They were lifetime Garrett residents. He preceded her ind death on March 30, 1960.

Survivors include three daughters, Sarah Jean Eldridge of Garrett, Lucile DePew of Fort Wayne and Marjorie E. Eldridge of Chicago.

Mrs. Eldridge was preceded in death by a brother, Osceen May, and a sister, Ruth McInturf.

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. July 26, 1993

Calling today for Clara Hormann

Clara M. Hormann, 94, of Fort Wayne, died Saturday at Lutheran Hospital. She is a sister of Carl Heckman of Garrett.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. today at Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Home, 6424 Winchester Road, Fort Wayne. Services are pending at Lutheran Home Chapel, 6701 South Anthony Blvd., Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Hormann was born in Adams County. Her husband, William A. Hormann, died in 1986.

Surviving with the brother in Garrett are four sons, Richard and Carl, both of Hoagland; Elvin of Ossian, and Arthur of Owensboro, Ky.; a daughter, Marilyn Hormann of Cleveland; a sister, Anna Kensill of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

, July 29, 1993

Services today for Beatrice Herron

Beatrice Pearl Herron, 81, of Kendallville, died Tuesday at 6:25 a.m. at McCray Memorial Hospital. She was a sister of Odessie Shultz of Garrett.

Services will be held today at 1 p.m. at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville with Rev. Dean Bearman officiating. Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Immanual Lutheran Church in Avilla.

Mrs. Herron was born Feb. 16, 1912, in Steuben County. Her parents were Frank and Hazel (Snyder) Reinoehl. She and Esta Herron were married Oct. 24, 1928, in Noble County. He preceded her in death on Dec. 16, 1972.

Surviving with the sister in Garrett are three sons, Gerald and Jimmy Herron of Kendallville, and Charles Herron of Avilla; four daughters, Agnes Mead, Dora Shepherd and Shirley Childers of Kendallville, and Sandra Weimer of Corunna; one other sister, Blanche Shultz of Huntertown; one brother, Esta Reinoehl of Avilla; 24 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, eight step-great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Retha LaRose Herron; two sisters, Bertha and Annabell Herron and a brother, Floyd Herron.

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Services held for Chuck Hazeltine

Charles W. "Chuck" Hazeltine, 67, died Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. at the home of his daughter at 6730 CR 9, Garrett.

Services were held Saturday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery, with full military honors by the Fort Wayne Marine Reserves.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Mr. Hazeltine was born Oct. 15, 1925, in Garrett. His parents were Wesley and Agnes (Groscup) Hazeltine. He and Mildred L. Craig were married Aug. 17, 1946, in Fort Wayne. She preceded him in death on Oct. 28, 1983. Mr. Hazeltine owned and operated Chuck's Body Shop in Garrett from 1960 to 1991 when he retired. He was a lifetime member of the Garrett American Legion.

Mr. Hazeltine was a World War II Marine Veteran. He was recently honored for his years of service. He received five Purple Hearts, three Bronze Stars, the Presidential Unit Citation, the Navy Unit Citation, WW II Victory Medal and a Asiatic & Pacific Campaign Medal.

Survivors include two daughters, Anisa Waterhouse, with whom he resided, and Ellen Hazeltine of Sulton, Wash.; one son, Charles D. Hazeltine of Arlington, Mass.; and four grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one son, Steven Hazeltine, and two sisters, Bonnie Ramos and Mary Evans.

Services today for LaCleeda Maurer

LaCleeda M. Mauer, 54, of 909 South Randolph Street, died Thursday at 11:05 p.m. at her home.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union cemetery.

Mrs. Maurer was born June 23, 1939. Her parents were Elmer L. and Laurine (Downend) Hathaway. He survives. Mrs. Maurer was a beautician at the Vanity Beauty Shop in Garrett for 20 years and resided in Garrett all her life. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Garrett.

Surviving with her husband are two sons, Michael and Matthew, both of Garrett; a daughter, Christina Maurer, of Garrett; five brothers, Eston and Clifton Hathaway, both of Fort Wayne; DeWayne and Richard Hathaway of Garrett; and George Hathaway of South Whitley; and four sisters, Mae McDannold of Fort Wayne; and Faith Galligher, Janet Scheurich and Cindy Myers, all of Garrett.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Nathaniel Hathaway.

Services today for Hazel Mattice, 74

Hazel B. Mattice, 74, of 1211 South Cowen Street, Apt. F, died Friday at 2 p.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held this morning at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Dr. Lorin Harrison officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Mattice was born Feb. 1, 1919, in Port Huron, Mich. Her parents were William and Florence (Everson) Webb. She and Clarence Mattice were married March 27, 1937, in Royal Oak, Mich. He preceded her in death on March 4, 1977. She was a housewife and had resided in Garrett for the past 44 years.

Survivors include one daughter, Ardith Reed of Garrett; one son, Gary Mattice of Garrett; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, Darla Mattice and Carol Frost; two brothers, Burton and Howard Webb; three sisters, Edna Cline, Mabel Lee and Alice Oakford; and three grandchildren.

, August 5, 1993

Calling today for Robert Ballentine

Robert E. Ballentine, 67, of 1338 South Randolph Street, died Tuesday at 9:45 a.m. at his home.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at Ark of Jesus Church in Garrett with Pastor Dana Sabrosky officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery. Friends may call today at McKee-Miles Funeral Home from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. and one hour before the services at the church.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Ark of Jesus Church or the Garrett American Legion.

Mr. Ballentine was born Sept. 30, 1925, in DeKalb County. His parents were Fred and Marie (Purdy) Ballentine. He and Lucille Bischoff were married on Feb. 9, 1946, in Charleston, S.C. She survives. He was a member of the Ark of Jesus Church and the Garrett American Legion. Mr. Ballentine was a carpenter for 37 years before retiring in 1980.

Surviing with the wife are one son, Fred of Butler; four daughters, Sandy Albright, Cindy Rowe and Carolyn Miller, all of Garrett, and Marie Brewer of Auburn; one brother, William Ballentine of Indianapolis; one sister, Marjorie Januseski of Garrett; 16 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Ballentine was preceded in death by one brother, James Ballentine, and one sister, Josephine Flint.

, August 12, 1993

Services set for Margaret Troyer

M. Margaret Troyer, 76, of LN 221B 475, Hamilton, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 10, at her residence after an extended illness.

The daughter of Charles and Margaret (Coney) Huff, she was born Feb. 16, 1917, in LaGrange County. She was married to Clay L. Lemmon on April 16, 1938, in Angola. He preceded her in death on Feb. 28, 1957. She was married to Ammon D. Troyer on May 5, 1961, in Hamilton and he preceded her in death on May 24, 1983. Mrs. Troyer was the original owner of the Brookside Beauty Salon in Hamilton, retiring in 1972 after many years as a beautician in the Hamilton area. She was a member of the Hamilton United Methodist Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Sharon L. Perna of Wilmslow, England, Linda J. Lindeman, of Fort Wayne, and Lucie M. Wilcoxson, of Garrett, two sons, Louis D. Lemmon, of Hamilton and James E. Lemmon, of Fort Wayne; one stepdaughter, LuAnn Reade, of LaGrange; 14 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren and two brothers, John and Dayton Huff, both of LaGrange. She was preceded in death by two sisters.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, at 10:30 a.m., in the Hamilton United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Herschel Murray officiating. The family will receive friends from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. at Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home in Hamilton. Interment will be in the Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Cameron Hospice or Hamilton United Methodist Church.

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, August 12, 1993

Calling today for Janet Stafford

Janet Ruth Stafford, 73, died Saturday at Health Park Care Center, Fort Myers, Fla. She is the mother of Lisa Yarian of Garrett.

Services will be held Friday at Borromeo Catholic Church, 4916 Trier Road, Fort Wayne. Calling will be from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today at D. O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, with a vigil service at 8:30 p.m. Calling will also be an hour before services at the church. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Hope Hospice, Fort Myers, Fla., or to Masses.

Mrs. Stafford was born in Green Bay, Wisc., and was formerly of Fort Wayne. She was a member of the Navy WAVES during World War II and retired in 1948 after 15 years in the office at Sears, Roebuck and Co.

Surviving with the daughter in Garrett, are her husband, J. Dudley, two other daughters, Cynthia Kirk of Shelton, Conn., and Sally Gephart of Abingdon, Va.; one son, Steven Stafford of Fort Wayne; and nine grandchildren.

, August 16, 1993

Services held for Minnie Lampe, 95

Minnie Lampe, 95, died Thursday at 3:15 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor, where she had resided since 1986.

Services were held Saturday at 10 a.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. Fred Libby officiating. Burial was in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Garrett or the donor's choice.

Mrs. Lampe was born April 28, 1898, in Minden, Germany. Her parents were Friedrick and Wilhilmina (Roemke) Kahlke. She and Emil D. Lampe were married in Allen County on Oct. 17, 1925. He preceded her in death on Oct. 3, 1966. She formerly lived at 6816 CR 11A, Auburn.

Surviving are two sons, Walter Lampe of rural Auburn, and Waldemar Lampe of New Haven; eight grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Wilhelm and Herman Kahlke, and one sister, Frieda.

Services held for Vernon Johnson, 73

Vernon Ray Johnson, 73, of Auburn, died Thursday at 2 a.m. at Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Services were held Sunday at the Auburn Church of the Nazarene with Rev. Gerald Parker officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Johnson was born May 31, 1920, in Chehalins, Wash., to Floyd and Selma (Moomaw) Johnson. He and Susanna Nicholas were married on Aug. 27, 1949, in Pickstown, S.D. She survives.

Mr. Johnson graduated from Chester High School in North Manchester and attended Manchester College. He graduated from Bethany Bible Training School in Chicago, where he earned a bachelor's degree in sacred literature. He spent several years in Christian service work.

He was a district sales manager for Arthur Walter Seed Co. in area sales, and was a representative of Owatana Manufacturing Co. before his retirement. He held a private pilot's license, and was a former member of the Experimental Aircraft Association. Mr. Johnson was a member of the Auburn Church of the Nazarene.

Surviving with the wife are two sons, Roy of Auburn, and Keith of Garrett; two daughters, Shirley (Mrs. George) Drew of New Haven, and Karen Cope of Auburn; five brothers, Eldon of Waterloo, Iowa, Wayne of LaPorte, Frank of Syracuse, Lowell of Marion, and Daryl of Athens, Ga.; one sister, Evelyn Zook of Wenatchee, Wash.; 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

August 23, 1993

Calling Tuesday for Robert Bock

Robert W. Bock, 61, of 1551 CR 39, Waterloo, died Sunday at 12:20 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He was a former Garrett resident until moving to Waterloo seven years ago.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. Services will be at the funeral home Wednesday at 10 a.m. with Rev. Frederick Libby officiating.

Mr. Bock was born June 22, 1932, in Garrett. His parents were Walter L. and Helen (Hook) Bock. He and Donna Jean Johnson were married July 13, 1953, in Garrett. She survives. He was a conductor on the B & O Railroad for 30 years, and was also a general contractor. He was a Korean US Army veteran and a member of the Garrett Eagles.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, Timothy Bock of Garrett, and Dusty Bock of Waterloo; three daughters, Sharmon Sheperd, Bobbie Crager and Tonoa Rumsey, all of Garrett; two brothers, Keith Bock and Max Bock, both of Garrett; one sister, Charlotte Parvu of Garrett; six grandchildren and four stepgrandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Raymond, David and Charles Bock.

, August 26, 1993

Calling Friday for Pauline Guilford

Pauline L. Guilford, 81, of Vancouver, Wash., died Sunday at 4:50 a.m. at Whispering Pines Nursing Home in Vancouver. She is a former Garrett resident.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home on Friday from noon to 3 p.m. Services will be held immediately following the vistation with Rev. Cletus Hirschy officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Guilford was born March 5, 1912, at Cedar Creek. Her parents were Arthur John and Lida E. (Mason) Ober. She and Harry E. Guilford were married July 9, 1977, at the Garrett Altarstar United Methodist Church. He survives.

Mrs. Guilford was raised and attended school at Cedar Creek and Garrett. She worked for King Hardware in Garrett as a store clerk, and also worked for General Electric in Fort Wayne as an electrical motor tester for 30 years, retiring in 1977. While in Indiana she operated a home business, selling clothing and jewelry. She was a member of the Altarstar United Methodist Church.

Surviving with her husband are two step-daughters, Aleatha Sebaska of Ocean Shores, Wash., and Myrtle Baker of Vancouver; two step-sons, Larry Guilford of San Jose, Calif.; and Gene Guilford of Ocean Shores; and one niece, Sandra Beltz of Hanover, Pa.

, August 30, 1993

Calling today for Daniel Kleber

Daniel E. Kleber, 30, of 306 West Houston Street, died Friday at 1 p.m. at his home.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. and one hour before the services, which will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Father David Carkenord officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

A Wake Service will be held at 3:30 p.m. today at the funeral home.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Masses.

Mr. Kleber was born Aug. 12, 1963, in Fort Wayne. He was employed as a welder at DeKalb Construction. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church. He also was a member of the Tri-State Motorcycle Club, as referee, and the American Motorcycle Association.

Survivors include his father and step-mother, Phillip and Fay Kleber of Garrett; his mother and step-father, Rebecca and Richard Sleeper of Prattville, Ala.; three sisters, Susan Chisholm of Garrett, Jennifer Plott of Montgomery, Ala., and Patti Kleber of Ft. Myers, Fla.; three step-sisters, Tammera Glide of Columbiaville, Mich., Deb Cornell of Leo, and Jennifer Sleeper of Auburn; two step-brothers, Ron Sleeper of Ligonier, and Timothy Hans of Garrett; his grandparents, Thomas and Mildred Haught of Ellenton, Fla.; and his step-grandmother, Florence Dey of Fort Wayne.

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, August 30, 1993

Services held for Theodore Galey, 59

Theodore Galey, 59, of 412 South Randolph Street, died Thursday at 2 p.m. at his home.

Services were held Sunday at 2 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Dr. Louis Harrison officiating. Burial will be at a later date in Arlington Natinal Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Heritage Park Museum in Garrett.

Mr. Galey was born Aug. 19, 1934, in Ottumwa, Iowa. His parents were Arthur and Lucy (Baker) Galey. He was an electronic technician in the U.S. Air Force for 22 years, retiring in 1976 as a Master Sergeant. He also worked for the Colorado Department of Highways for six years, retiring in 1985. He was a member of the Garrett American Legin, Elks and Eagles.

Survivors include one son, James Galey of Aurora, Colo.; one daughter, Pamela Galey of Aurora, Colo.; two sisters, Louise Galey and Elizabeth Eberhard, both of Garrett; one brother, Daniel Galey of Calumet City, Ill.; and one grandchild.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Paul, Richard, James and John Galey.

, Sept. 2, 1993

Services held for Patricia Kelleher

Patricia Ann Kelleher, 50, died Saturday at 2:30 p.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Wednesday morning at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, with Rev. David Carkenrod officiating. Burial was in St. Michael's Church cemetery. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, was in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Leukemia Society, the DeKalb High School speech team, or to the family.

Mrs. Kelleher was born May 21, 1943, in Defiance, Ohio. Her parents are Eugene and Helen (Mack) Kallan. She and Tom Kelleher were married Aug. 16, 1968, in Fort Wayne.

She was formerly the assistant librarian at the Waterloo-Grant Township Public Library, and also worked at Eckhart Public Library in Auburn.

Mrs. Kelleher was a member of the Rolling Pins Extension Homemakers Club and served in most of the club's offices. She also served in most of the DeKalb County Extension Homemakers offices, including president. She was named the 1993 Homemaker of the Year. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, where she served as a lector and taught religion classes. She was also a member of the Hamilton Fish and Game Club and the DeKalb High School Parent Advisory Council. She was a Brownie and 4-H leader in DeKalb County.

Survivors include her mother, Helen Kallan; her husband, Tom; two daughters, Angela and Karla, both at home; two brothers, Tom Kallan of Defiance, and Dave Kallan of Tulsa, Okla.; and three nieces and three nephews.

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Services today for Rosanna Allen, 50

Rosanna Allen, 50, of rural Wolcottville, died Monday at 5:57 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Private family services will be held today at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Mike Booher of South Milford Church of Christ officiating. Burial is in Woodruff Cemetery.

Mrs. Allen was born in Garrett on June 28, 1943, to George and Ruth Irene (Harter) Berdett. She and Harry J. Allen were married Jan. 12, 1963, in Corunna. He preceded her in death in August 1988. She had been employed by Wolcottville IGA for 10 years.

Survivors include two daughters, Deanna Bortner and Viva Williams, both of Wolcottville; two sons, Harry J. Allen Jr. of Wolcottville, and Richard Allen of Sturgis, Mich.; a sister, Betty Colgan of Garrett; and two grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one brother, Joe Harter.

Sept. 7, 1993

Services held for June Haller, 61

June Frances Haller, 61, of Fort Wayne, died at 3 a.m. Friday at Towne House Retirement Community in Fort Wayne. She was a sister of Joan Hull of Garrett.

Services were held Sunday afternoon at D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home. Burial was in Salem Cemetery, Ligonier.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Forest Park United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Haller was born in Auburn, and lived in Fort Wayne for 24 years. She retired in 1989 after 24 years as a teacher for Fort Wayne Community Schools.

Surviving with the sister in Garrett are her husband, Allen; four daughters, Marlene Blake, Michelle Nycum and Sandra Campbell, all of Fort Wayne, and Ann Shirk of Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.; a son, Steven J. of Fort Wayne; two other sisters, Lois Jones of Lafayette, and Elizabeth Shull of New Haven; two brothers, Lee V. Smith of Fort Wayne, and Ray Smith of Barberton, Ohio; and seven grandchildren.

, Sept. 7. 1993

Services held for Lorain Lechleitner

Lorain M. Lechleitner, 51, of Ossian, died Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She is the mother of Laurie Folds of Garrett.

Services were held last Friday at Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Home in Fort Wayne. Burial was in Highland Park Cemetery.

The family requested preferred memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Lechleitner was born in Fort Wayne and was a homemaker.

Surviving with the daughter in Garrett are her husband, Willard; three other daughters, Christien James, Kimberly Lechleitner and Dawn Lechleitner, all of Ossian; her mother, Esther E. Landrum of Fort Wayne; three brothers, Floyd Landrum Jr. of Fort Wayne, Richard Landrum of Bridgton, N.C. and Charles Landrum of Huntington; a sister, Connie Teush of Huntington; and four grandchildren.

Mary Shierling dies at age 93

Mary Ann Shierling, 93, died at 9:20 p.m. Thursday at Miller's Merry Manor in Wakarusa. She formerly lived in Garrett and Nappanee.

Graveside services were held Monday morning at Reitenour Cemetery, Deerfield. Thompson & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, was in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Nappanee Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Shierling was born May 15, 1900, in Portland, to George and Emma (Whiteneck) Garinger. She and O. Paul Shierling were married May 5, 1921, in Sturgis, Mich. He preceded her in death on Jan. 2, 1972. She was a housewife, Avon representative and a former matron of Wells County Home. She was a member of the Nappanee Presbyterian Church, a 4-H leader and member of the Home Economics Club in Allen County, a member of the Rebekah Lodge and Phthian Sisters in Garrett. She was a member and past worthy matron of the Ossian Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Edwin (Nila Jean) McElheny of Nappanee, and Patricia Lou Shierling of Ellenton, Fla.; one sister, Viola Magley of Warren; and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three sisters, Cora Steed, Cynthia Sipe and Mabel Baughman, and three brothers, Luther, Oliver and Silas Garinger.

, Sept. 9. 1993

Services held for Gladys Woolums, 89

Gladys D. (Shuck) Woolums, 89, of Garrett, died Monday at 4:15 p.m. at her home at Holiday Lakes.

Services were held this morning at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, with Rev. Wayne Smith officiating. Burial was in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Mrs. Woolums was born March 7, 1907, in Fort Wayne. Her first husband, Harold Hart, preceded her in death in 1963. Her second husband, Virgil Woolums, died in 1986. She had lived in the Garrett area for the past six years and had previously lived in Fort Wayne. She was a former employee of Lincoln Life, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Woolums attended Lakewood Park Baptist Church, Auburn. She was a member of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Fort Wayne, and was a past officer of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fort Wayne Navy Club. She was a volunteer nurse for the American Red Cross and was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include one grandson, Dan A. Nagel, of Garrett; three great-grandchildren, Jerod, Joel and Joy Nagel, all of Garrett; and one niece, Molly Antrup of Holland, Mich. One daughter, Phyllis Nagel, preceded her in death.

, Sept. 13, 1993

Services held for Grace Barnes, 93

Grace M. Barnes, 93, of Paulding, Ohio, and formerly of Garrett, died Thursday at 12:10 p.m. at Defiance Hospital, Defiance, Ohio.

Services were held Sunday at 1:30 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Dr. N. Dale Mendenhall officiating. Burial was in Roselawn Cemetery in Auburn.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Garrett United Methodist Church or the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Mrs. Barnes was born Dec. 4, 1899, to Bert and Essie (Abel) Williams. She and James A. Barnes were married March 31, 1920, in Auburn. He preceded her in death on Jan. 15, 1965. She was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church, Garrett Order of Eastern Star, Philathea Sunday School Class and Love Circle. She was a homemaker, but also worked at Creek Chub Bait Company and Haffner's. Mrs. Barnes lived in Garrett for 87 years before moving to Ohio.

Survivors include a daughter, Joyce Souder of Paulding; one sister, Adda Fulk of Ludington, Mich.; 11 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Barnes was preceded in death by two sons, Jack and Richard Barnes; one daughter, Beverly Grimm; one brother, Dale Williams; and one sister, Madge Spitzer.

, Sept. 16, 1993

Calling today for Gordon Velpel Sr.

Gordon F. Velpel Sr., 73, of 4125 Roxton Lane, Fort Wayne, died Monday at 9:49 a.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Services will be held Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Velepl was born Dec. 29, 1919, in Hamilton, Ohio. His parents were Fred J. and Amelia (Schmidt) Velpel. He and Iona Bond were married April 7, 1939, in South Bend. She survives. He formerly lived in Garrett until moving to Fort Wayne 27 years ago.

Mr. Velpel was employed as the purchasing agent at the Fort Wayne Foundry. He retired Sept. 10, 1990. He was a member of the Garrett First Church of Christ, American Legion in Indianapolis, I.O.O.F. Lodge and he was a Boy Scout leader.

Surviving with the wife are two sons, George of Fort Wayne, and Geoff of Dillingham, Alaska; one daughter, Jackie of Fort Wayne, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Gordon (Joe) Velpel Jr., one brother, Frederick Velpel and two sisters, Irene Willenbrink and Louise Stivers.

, Sept. 23, 1993

Services held for Donna Liechty, 55

Donna Faye Liechty, 55, of Fort Wayne, died Sunday in St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne. She formerly ran the Garrett Greenhouse from 1961 to 1971.

Services were held Wednesday at Calvary Temple Chapel in Fort Wayne with Rev. Paul Paino officiating. Burial was in Leo Cemetery. Hockemeyer & Miller Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Liechty was born in Carleton, Mich., on Dec. 7, 1937, to Donald E. and Mary (Niner) Brott. Her mother survives. Mrs. Liechty had lived in Fort Wayne most of her life. She was an interior decorator, working with her husband in his home building business. She was a member of Victory Life Paise Center.

Surviving with her mother are her husband, Morris; two sons, Thomas W. Boese of Leo, and David Boese of Big Long Lake; two sisters, Doris A. Paul of Hartville, Mo., and Alice J. Allen of Fort Wayne; and two grandchildren.

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, Sept. 23, 1993

Edwin Maurer dies following accident

Edwin F. Maurer, 54, of 909 South Randolph Street, died at 2:43 a.m. Tuesday as a result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident Monday night in the 900 block of South Randolph Street. According to Garrett Police, Mr. Maurer was southbound on Randolph Street about 10:30 p.m. Monday when he drove left of center and struck a tree. He suffered massive chest trauma, according to the DeKalb County Coroner.

Services Set

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Services will be held Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home with Lloyd Mealer officating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Maurer was born Sept. 28, 1938, in Garrett to William F. and Juanita R. (Hills) Maurer. His mother survives. He and LaCleeda M. Hatahway were married Aug. 28, 1966, in Garrett. She preceded him in death on July 29. Mr. Maurer was a teacher at Northwood Middle School in Fort Wayne. He had worked in the Fort Wayne School system for 26 years. He was a member of the First Church of Christ in Garrett, Garrett Eagles, American Legion and the Indiana State Teachers Association. He served in the U.S. Navy and was a 1958 graduate of Garrett High School.

Surviving with his mother are two sons, Michael Maurer of 151 Ridgedale Drive, Garrett, and Matthew Maurer, at home; one daughter, Christina Maurer of Garrett; three brothers, James Maurer of Garrett, John Maurer of Angola, and David Maurer of Ridgewood, Pa.; two sisters, Mary Ann Burkmire of Norman, Okla., and Margaret Burwell of Fort Wayne. He was also preceded in death by one sister, Nancy Maurer.

, Sept. 30, 1993

Services held for Reginald Sampsel

Reginald Sampsel, 91, died Sunday at 9:30 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor where he had resided for the past two years.

Graveside services were held Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. at Embrey Cemetery.

Mr. Sampsel was born Aug. 27, 1902, in St. Joseph County, Mich., to James and Mabel (James) Sampsel. He was an agriculture farmer and World War II Army veteran. He formerly lived in Angola.

Survivors include one brother, Carl Sampsel of Defiance, Ohio, and three sisters, Mabel Lash of Rantoul, Ill., Lucille Powell of Kendallville, and Marie Snyder of Garrett.

, October 4, 1993

Services today for Ray D. Baker, 60

Ray D. Baker, 60, of 415 West Second Avenue, died Friday at 8:30 a.m. at his home.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at McKee-Miles funeral Home with Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr., officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Resterite Care & Compre Care of Kendallville or DeKalb County Council on Aging in Auburn.

Mr. Baker was born July 13, 1933, in Wise, Va. His parents were John and Polly (Conley) Baker. He and Jacqueline Robbins were married June 15, 1970, in Waterloo. She survives. He was a U. S. Army Veteran, serving 1955-1957. He was a general foreman for Hamilton Standard Controls in Auburn for 10 years, retiring in 1983. He was a member of the National Rifle Association and the Full Gospel Church in Auburn.

Surviving with the wife are one son, Greg Baker of Butler; four daughters, Shirley Sproat of Detroit, Raynell Mills and Cindy Warner, both of Butler, and June Jordan of Corunna; one step-son, Jeff Sproat of Butler; two step-daughters, Terri Shilling of Garrett, and Robin Schlatter of St. Joe; two sisters, Billie Gawthrop of Loveland, Co., and Goldie Dangler of Gibsonberg, Ohio; and 19 grandchildren.

, October 4, 1993

Calling today for Betty Fuller, 59

Betty J. Fuller, 59, of Brandon, Fla., died Friday at 12:30 a.m. in Plant City, Fla.

Friends may call today at McKee-Miles Funeral Home from 3-8 p.m. Services will be held Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Arthur G. Ferry, Jr., officiating. Burial will be in Corunnal Cemetery.

Mrs. Fuller was born Aug. 25, 1934, in Jefferson County, Mo., to Fred and Adeline (Frazier) Wedde. She married Joe Payton on March 1, 1971, in Kissimmee, Fla. He died on Nov. 30, 1979. She and Vernon Fuller were married June 9, 1984, in Chickasa, Okla. He survives.

Surviving with the husband are one son, George Jenner of Plant City, Fla.; one daughter, Rose Potts of Brandon, Fla.; one brother, Bill Wedde of Longview, Tex.; three sisters, Vernita Thone, Vernon Wing, of Texas City, Tex., and Bernice Gulat of of Pevely, Mo.; and 10 grandchildren. One brother, Ray Wedde, preceded her in death.

Winona Slone dies, services today

Winona Slone, 68, of Garrett, died Friday at 4:30 a.m. at McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Services will be today at 11 a.m. in the Stroh United Baptist Church with Rev. Willie Collins, Rev. Robert Slone, Rev. Barkley Slone and Rev. Russell Manns officiating. Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery.

Hutchins Funeral Home, Wolcottville, was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Slone was born in Hollybush, Ky., on May 21, 1925. Her parents were Andy J. and Tennessee (Sloan) Sloan. She and Oscar Slone were married Aug. 25, 1941, in Hindman, Ky. He survives. She retired from United Technologies in Auburn in 1987 after 19 1/2 years.

Surviving with her husband are seven daughters, Jean Owsley of Ligonier, Wilma Gillespie and Faye Godsey, both of Rome City, Phyllis Abdullah of Kendallville, Diane Combs of Hindman, Ky., Kathy Robinson of South Milford, and Deb Hastings of Cromwell; three sons, Jack Slone of Tampa, Fla., Jim Slone of Kimmell, and Phil Slone of Auburn; three sisters, Florida Slone and Ruby Taylor, both of Pippa Passes, Ky., and Blanche Ritchie of Rome City; two brothers, Silas Sloan of Howe, and Garland Sloan of Wawaka; 24 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

October 7, 1993

Services held for Betty Ford, 59

Betty J. Fuller, 59, of Brandon, Fla., died Friday at 12:30 a.m. in Plant City, Fla.

Services were held Tuesday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. Arthur G. Ferry, Jr., officiating. Burial was in Corunna Cemetery.

Mrs. Fuller was born Aug. 25, 1934, in Jefferson County, Mo., to Fred and Adeline (Frazier) Wedde. She married Joe Payton on March 1, 1971, in Kissimmee, Fla. He died on Nov. 30, 1979. She and Vernon Fuller were married June 9, 1984, in Chickasa, Okla. He survives.

Surviving with the husband are one son, George Jenner of Plant City, Fla.; one daughter, Rose Potts of Brandon, Fla.; four step-daughters, Pamela Franks of Sherwood, Ohio, Christi Miler of Bryan, Ohio, Brenda Stanz of Ney, Ohio, and Anita Fuller of Huntington, W. Va.; one step-son, Gene Fuller of Ohio; one brother, Bill Wedde of Longview, Tex.; three sisters, Vernita Thone of Longview, Tex., Verna Wing of Texas City, Tx., and Bernice Gulat of Pevely, Mo.; eight grandchildren and 10 step-grandchildren. One brother, Ray Wedde, preceded her in death.

, October 11, 1993

Services held for Kenneth Mitchell

Kenneth Mitchell, 47, of Angola, died Thursday. He is a former Garrett resident and a 1964 graduate of Garrett High School.

Services were held Sunday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Dr. N. Dale Mendenhall officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested produced memorials to the Garrett Boys Baseball Association.

Mr. Mitchell was born Oct. 4, 1946, in Garrett, to Harry and Pauline (Lung) Mitchell. His mother survives. He and Jane Argerbright were married Jan. 1, 1977, in Garrett. She survives. He was a production supervisor at Pent Products in Ashley.

Surviving with his mother and wife are one son, Jason of Garrett; and a sister, Linda Demske of Avilla.

Services held for Dwight McDaniel

Dwight D. "Mac" McDaniel, 79, of 204 South Harrison Street, died Monday at 4:25 p.m. at South View Nursing Home, Kendallville.

Services were held this morning at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. Masonic Services were held Wednesday evening.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the First Church of Christ.

Mr. McDaniel was born Aug. 14, 1914, in Coburg, Mich. His parents were Birt and Audra (Allomong) McDaniel. He and Mildred Miller were married on July 14, 1945, in Auburn. She survives. He worked as a heat treater for Dana in Auburn, retiring after 27 years of service. He was a member of the First Church of Christ, Garrett Masonic Lodge and Fort Wayne Scottish Rite.

Surviving with the wife are two daughers, Linda DePew of Kendallville, and Debra Bylsma of Middlebury; two brothers, Emery and Howard McDaniel, both of Auburn; two sisters, Isabel Romy of Fort Wayne, and Cleta Grandstaff of Auburn; five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

, October 14, 1993

Calling today for Denver Coyer, Sr.

Denver M. Coyer Sr., 46, of Elkhart, died Tuesday in Elkhart General Hospital. He is the son of Emma Coyer and the brother of Mary Fugate, Billie Tuttle and Sharon Frost, all of Garrett.

Private family services will be Friday at Chapel Hill Funeral Home, Osceola. Friends may call today from 3 to 6 p.m. Burial will be in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Osceola.

Mr. Coyer was a Vietnam War Army veteran.

Surviving with the mother and sisters in Garrett are three daughters, Machelle D. Weir and Patricia A. Gumbert, both of Fort Wayne, and Leann Coyer of Elkhart; three sons, Denver M. Jr., and Matthew T., both of Fort Wayne, and Mark S. of Lehigh, Fla.; six grandchildren; three other sisters, Sue Ann Rowe of Butler, Patricia VanGessel of LaOtto, and Bertha Morgan of Fort Wayne; and two brothers, James and John, both of Fort Wayne.

Mother of Dr. Charles Novy dies

Antoinette "Nettie" Novy, mother of Dr. Charles Novy of Garrett, died Sunday. She was a Chicago resident.

Mrs. Novy's husband, August, preceded her in death.

Services were Wednesday at Mater Christi Church. Burial was in Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Adolf Berwyn Funeral Home of Chicago, was in charge of arrangements.

Surviving with the son in Garrett are one daughter, Georgette Mahoney; seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

, October 21, 1993

Services held for George Wade, 79

George E. Wade, 79, of 380 Lane 250 C, Lake Pleasant, Orland, died Sunday at 6:43 p.m. at Cameron Hospital, Angola. He was a former Garrett resident until moving to Pleasant Lake 17 years ago.

Mr. Wade served 12 years on the Garrett-Keyser-Butler School Board and was a past president of the board. He was owner of Auburn Concrete Products and Angola Concrete for 40 years, retiring in 1981. He also worked on the B & O Railroad.

Services were held Wednesday morning at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the DeKalb County Unit of the American Heart Association.

Mr. Wade was born March 16, 1914, in St. Joe. His parents were Roy and Carrie (Engle) Wade. He and Helen Storer were married May 20, 1932, in St. Joe. She survives.

Surviving with the wife are three daughters, Gwynn Harris of Garrett, Karen Hathaway of South Whitley and Michelle Shafer of Omaha, Neb.; one son, George "Pete" Wade of Lime Lake; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

, October 25, 1993

Services today for Delbert Hollinger

Delbert O. Hollinger, 76, of 34 Ben Mar Chateau, Garrett, died Thursday at 1:55 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr., officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the American Diabetes Association.

Mr. Hollinger was born Oct. 2, 1917, in DeKalb County. His parents were Ivan and Sarah (Worthington) Hollinger. He and Minnie Warstler were married on Dec. 20, 1936. She survives. He formerly lived in Fort Wayne for 25 years before moving back to the Garrett area eight months ago. Mr. Hollinger was the owner of Hollinger Construction for 20 years, retiring in 1987. He was a member of the LaOtto Masonic Lodge.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, Wilbur and Danny, both of Garrett; one daughter, Betty McKeever of LaOtto; one sister, Hazel Hubartt of Waterloo; 13 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

One son, Raymond Hollinger, one brother, Rolland Hollinger, and four sisters, Lillian Stauffer, Nellie Keener, Doris Henderson and Geniva Pattee, preceded him in death.

, October 25, 1993

Caroline Muzzillo dies at age of 75

Caroline M. Muzzillo, 75, of 608 East Warfield Street, died Sunday at 12:39 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Muzzillo was born June 12, 1918, in Chicago. Her parents were James A. and Julia (Montague) Falcone. She and John Michael Muzzillo were married May 31, 1947, in Cicero, Ill. He preceded her in death on June 19, 1955. She worked at the Garrett Hospital until 1974. Mrs. Muzzillo was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

There will be no visitation and private services. McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to St. Joseph School.

Survivors include two daughters, Judith Fields of LaOtto, and Angela Lung of Garrett; two sisters, Antionette Salerno of Angola, and Anna Marie Kohnke of Bartlett, Ill.; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

George Omohundro dies very suddenly

Word has been received of the death of George Omohundro, a former Garrett resident.

He died Thursday while playing golf in Southern Pines, N.C. Services were held this morning at the Southern Pines Presbyterian Church.

Services Tuesday for Vincent Wiler

Vincent F. Wiler, 79, of DeMotte, died Thursday in Valpariso. He is the brother of Margie Severence and Donna Creager, both of Garrett.

Mr. Wiler was a retire employee of U.S. Steel-Gary Works. He was a 32nd degree Mason.

His wife, Helen, died in 1989.

Services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Stillinovich & Wistrolik Funeral Home, Merrillville. Calling will be today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Burial will be in Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville.

Other survivors include a brother, Lyle Wiler of Auburn, and a sister, Joan Woods of Avilla.

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Services set for Rev. Carl Stump

Rev. Carl G. Stump, 92, died Tuesday at Goshen General Hospital. He was a former pastor at Christian Union Brethren in Christ Church, north of Garrett.

Friends may call at the Thompson & Yoder Funeral Home in Nappanee from 6-8 p.m. today and from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. Friday. The body will lay in state one hour prior to services on Saturday, which will be at 11 a.m. at the Union Center Church of the Brethren, Nappanee. Burial will be in the Union Center Cemetery, Nappanee. Officiating will be the Rev. David McGarvey pastor at the Union Grove Brethren in Christ Church, and Rev. Wilbur Benner from Williamsport, Md.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Union Grove Church of Christ Mission projects.

Rev. Stump was born Aug. 14, 1901, in Union Township, Elkhart County. His parents were John A. and Leah (Bechtel) Stump. He and Walta L. Whitehead were married Sept. 10, 1921, in Elkhart County. She preceded him in death on Nov. 18, 1985. Rev. Stump was a minister for 64 years before retiring. He also was retired from farming.

In addition to serving in Garrett, Rev. Stump served as the Bishop of the Brethren in Christ Church for 24 years. He served as pastor at Union Grove Brethren in Christ, New Paris. He was one of the co-founders of the Faith Mission in Elkhart and formerly served as chairman of the Board of Trustee's for the Mission. He served on the Brethren in Christ Home Mission Board, served on the Chicago Mission (Brethren in Christ) Board of Trustees, was a member of the Board of Managers of the Memorial Holiness Camp at West Milton, Ohio, for many years, served on the Board of Trustees of Messiah College, Grantham, Pa., for 12 years and served two terms on the Board of Administration at Messiah College. While a pastor at Garrett, he was the president of the Garrett Ministerial Association.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Melvin (Naomi) Hertzler of Mechanicsburg, Pa., Mrs. Vernon (Mary Lou) Sheets of Nappanee, and Mrs. Dale (Doris) Huber of Elkhart; five sons, Harvey Stump and Ray Stump, both of Ontario, Calif., Kenneth Stump of Upland, Calif., Carl Owen Stump of Nappanee, and Leighton Stump of Wakarusa; 31 grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, 52 great-grandchildren and four step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Edith Felgar, Ruth Carroll and Clara Myers, and eight brothers, Charles, Irwin, Vernon, Milton, Clayton, Oscar, Harvey and John.

, October 28, 1993

Son of Lou Hall dies at Decatur

Robert C. Hall, 65, of Decatur, died Sunday at 5:15 p.m. at the Adams County Hospital in Decatur. He is the son of Lou Hall of Garrett.

Services were held Wednesday at the Zion Lutheran Church in Decatur with Rev. Donald Biester officiating. Burial was in Decatur Cemetery with military graveside rites by the American Legion Post 43. Zwick-Sefton & Jahn Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the American Cancer Society or the Zion Capital Improvement Fund.

Mr. Hall was born Aug. 10, 1928, in Beaver, Ohio, to Revis V. and Lou (Osborn) Hall. He and Francile Reidenbach-Bultemeier were married Oct. 17, 1955, in Decatur. Mr. Hall retired in 1991 from driving for Halls Specialty Trucking Co., in LaOtto. He was also a mechanic at Fort Wayne Air Service. Mr. Hall was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church in Decatur, American Legion Post 43, Independent Order of Foresters. He was a veteran of Korean Army with the U.S. Air Force.

Surviving with the wife and mother are four daughters, Deborah Green and Tonna Thiele, both of Fort Wayne, Claudia Liechty and Pamela Hall, both of Decatur; four brothers, Wendell Hall of Woodburn, Vic Hall of New Haven, Ned Hall of LaOtto, and Gary Hall of Columbus; one sister, Lois Martin of Columbus; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services today for Jerry Steigmeyer

Jerome E. "Jerry" Steigmeyer, 71, of 1785 S. 445 E., LaGrange, died Tuesday at 1:50 a.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was a former Garrett resident.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Fr. Gary Sigler officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the American Heart Association.

Mr. Steigmeyer was born Sept. 9, 1922, in Decatur. His parents were Roman J. and Laura E. (Blothamp) Steigmeyer. He and Gwendolyn Moats were married May 22, 1948, in Garrett. She survives. He was a machinist at Magnavox in Fort Wayne for 32 years, retiring in 1987. He was a World War II Army Veteran. Mr. Steigmeyer was a member of the Garrett American Legion and the Garrett Country Club and the St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Surviving with the wife are three daughters, Marcia Krontz and Cindy Rassel, both of Garrett, and Kathy Grawcock of LaOtto; two sons, Steve Steigmeyer of Tecumseh, Mich., and Mark Steigmeyer of Fort Wayne; two brothers, James Steigmeyer of Erie, Pa., and William Steigmeyer of Garrett; four sisters, Virginia Manon and Patricia Frymier, both of Auburn, and Mary Wilcoxson and Sharon Simon, both of Garrett; and nine grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Edward, Ralph and Adrian Steigmeyer.

, October 28, 1993

Services held for Margery Campbell

Margery O. Campbell, 89, of Angola, died Saturday at 1:30 a.m. in Lakeland Nursing Home, Angola. She is a sister of Georgie Westfall of Garrett.

Services were held Tuesday at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Rev. John Hostetter of the Waterloo United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in the Butler Cemetery.

Mrs. Campbell was born Aug. 7, 1904, in Hamilton. Her parents were Jim and Daisy (Earlston) Hargery. Her first husband, Chet Harris, died in 1957. She and Don Campbell were married in 1968. He preceded her in death in 1978. She retired in 1962 after working as a cook in area restaurants.

Surviving with the sister in Garrett are one daughter, Kathryn Braden of Fort Wayne; one brother, Raymond Harger of Hamilton; one other sister, Doris Lechleidner of Butler; 16 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, Eloise Chiddister and Gertrude Baker, four brothers and three sisters.

Father of Sandy Bosler dies at 77

Gordon W. Maxwell, 77, a lifelong DeKalb County resident, died Saturday at 6:25 p.m. at Sacred Heart Home, Avilla. He is the father of Sandy Bosler of Garrett.

Services were held Wednesday at McComb, Dilgard & Kline Funeral Home, Auburn, with Rev. Alice Hupp officating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Sacred Heart Home on the Alzheimer's Association of Northern Indiana.

Mr. Maxwell was born May 20, 1916, in St. Joe. His parents were Merritt and Lena (Nelson) Maxwell. He and Gladys Buttron were married in 1955 in Dalton, Ill. She preceded him in death in 1979. He retired after 40 years as a conductor.

Also surviving with the daughter in Garrett are two sons, William Maxwell of Fort Wayne, and Timothy Maxwell of Lewisburg; a stepson, Tom Wilson of Fort Wayne; three stepdaughters, Barbara Beber of Auburn, Donn Day of Orlando, Fla., and Phyllis Puniti of Saudi Arabia; a brother, Robert Maxwell of Auburn; a sister, Dortha Berg of Auburn; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Father of James Pensinger dies

Dale L. Pensinger, 84, of Bear Lake, died at his home on Friday. He is the father of James Pensinger of Garrett.

Services will be at 11 a.m. today at Smith and Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City. Burial will be in Wolf Lake Cemetery.

Mr. Pensinger worked at a cabinet factory in Goshen and at Bordens Ice Cream Co., in Fort Wayne for 10 years. He also operated a TV repair shop for 25 years. His wife, Mary, died in 1989.

Survivors include four other sons, Gerald and Bill, both of Albion, John of Columbia City, and Steve of Bristol, Va.; two brothers, Lawrence and Keith, both of Portland; five sisters, Irene Delk, Gwen Arnold and Iva Lou Grisell, all of Portland, Joan Smith of Nashville, and Mickey Crouch of Celina, Ohio; 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Services today for John Shafer, 78

John A. Shafer, 78, of 215 South Franklin Street, died Thursday at 11:59 a.m. at McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. He was a lifelong Garrett resident.

Friends may call one hour before services, which will be at 11 a.m. today at the St. Joseph Catholic Church. Fr. James A. Shafer and Fr. Gary Sigler will officiate. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery. Wake services were held Sunday at 4:30 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the St. Joseph Catholic School.

Mr. Shafer was born Aug. 27, 1915, in Garrett. His parents were Orie T. and Irene (Weaver) Shafer. He and Dorothy M. Yaste were married June 1, 1940, in Huntington. She preceded him in death on Sept. 18, 1963. He was a conductor on the B & O Railroad for 35 years before retiring on Aug. 1, 1975. He was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church, the Garrett Eagles, Elks and Moose, and a member of the United Transportation Union.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Jim Getts of Garrett; a son, Fr. James A. Shafer of Mishawaka; a son and daughter-in-law, Ronald and Lisa Shafer of Kendallville; grandchildren, Deanna and John Busch, Matt Getts, Brad and Angela Getts; great-grandchildren, Johnny, Emily, Tommy and Katie Busch; a brother, Morrie Shafer of Garrett; a sister, Mary Johnson of Elkhart. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Orie T. Jr., and Harold Shafer.

, November 1, 1993

Father of Duane Ellert died Friday

Leonard E. Ellert, 67, of Ashley, died at his home on Friday at 10:45 a.m. He is the father of Duane Ellert of Garrett.

Services were held this morning at St. Michael's Catholic Church. Burial was in St. Michael's Cemetery. Feller Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Masses at the church, or to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Mr. Ellert was born June 13, 1926, in Smithfield Township. His parents were Joseph and Clara (Wetoskey) Ellert. He and Velma Musser were married Oct. 8, 1949. She survives. He was retired farmer and a self-employed mechanic.

Surviving with the wife, and son in Garrett are six other sons, Kenneth, Tom, Dennis and Joe, all of Waterloo, and Marvin and Gary, both of Ashley; one daughter, Jeanine Dennis of Ashley; four brothers, Clayton and Carl, both of Auburn, Ben of Ashley, and Jim of Carpinteria, Calif.; five sisters, Marie Blomeke and Rita Roark, both of Auburn, Barbara Bounds and Theresa Stanley, both of Galeta, Calif., and Bertha Cox of Elkhart; and 15 grandchildren.

November 1, 1993

Services today for Robert Rabbitt, 65

Robert Rabbitt, 65, of Huntertown, died Friday at his home at 5:25 a.m. He is the father of Wendy Green and stepfather of Kristine Kirkpatrick, both of Garrett.

Services were held this morning at Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco. Burial was in Highland Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne, with military services.

Mr. Rabbitt was born in Decatur on Aug. 26, 1928, to Earl and Lola Rabbitt. He and Bonnie Geiger Porter were married Sept. 26, 1969, in Fort Wayne. She survives. Mr. Rabbitt was employed at Kingsford Packing Co. in Fort Wayne for 29 years and for the past six years he was a truck driver for Current, Inc. of Fort Wayne.

Other survivors include a stepdaughter, Karla Procise of Avilla; two step-sons, Jeffrey Porter of LaOtto, and John Porter of Kendallville; two brothers, Charles Robbitt of Williamston, S. C., and Richard Rabbitt of Angola; a sister, Mable Herrick of Larwill; and 12 grandchildren.

November 4, 1993

Services held for Louise Myers, 69

Louise Helen Myers, 69, of Wolcottville, died Sunday at 11:08 a.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services were Tuesday in Messiah Lutheran Church, Wolcottville, with Rev. Frederick J Libby officiating. Burial was in Concordia Cemetery Gardens in Fort Wayne.

The family requested preferred memorials to Messiah Lutheran Church, Wolcottville.

Mrs. Myers was born in Garrett on Jan. 10, 1924. Her parents were Floyd and Anna (Kobs) Jamison. She retired in 1988 from Emmanuel Lutheran School in Danville, Ill. Mrs. Myers lived in Fort Wayne for 30 years before moving to Danville in 1969 and to Wolcottville in 1989. She was a member of the Messiah Lutheran Church and the ladies' guild.

Survivors include her husband, Everald G. Myers; three daughters, Diane M. Lee of Cincinnati, Judith L. Schubert, of Germantown, Wisc., and Jill A. Liechty of Evansville; a son, David W. Myers of Ossian; a sister, Ellen Mennewisch of Fort Wayne; a brother, Floyd "Jack" Jamison of Garrett; and seven grandchildren.

November 4, 1993

Cristina Hampshire dies at birth

Christina Mae Hampshire died Monday shortly after birth at McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville.

Graveside services were held Wednesday in Lake View Cemetery with Rev. Ron Hyre officiating.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Center for Troubled Pregnancy, 112 South State Street, Kendallville, IN 46755.

Surviving the baby are her mother, Carrie Mae Handshoe of Garrett, and the father, Kevin Hampshire of Rome City; a half-sister, Kaila Ann Hampshire; paternal grandparents, Mary Ann Hampshire of Kendallville, and Robert Hampshire of Rome City; maternal grandparents, Karen Mae Brown of Orland, and Garnel Handshoe Jr. of Garrett; paternal great-grandmother, Constance Hampshire of Kendallville; maternal great-grandparents, Banner and Verleen Kidd of Kendallville; maternal great-great-grandmother, Marion Akers of Floyd County, Ky.; maternal step-great-great-grandmother, Reenie Kidd; paternal great-great-grandparents, Patricia Brumbaugh of Garrett, and Thelma Trowbridge of Kendallville.

Services today for Helen Krumma, 72

Helen Louise Krumma, 72, of Auburn, died Tuesday at 2:30 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She is the mother of Becky Kolbe of Garrett.

Services were held this morning at 10:30 a.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Rev. John Hostetter of the Waterloo United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Kidney Foundation.

Mrs. Krumma was born Feb. 27, 1921, in Rock Hill, S.C. Her parents were Isiah and Sara Lucinda (Barnett) Roberts. Her first husand, Homer Holmes died in 1959. She and Willis Krumma were married Nov. 30, 1961, in Auburn. He survives. Mrs. Krumma was employed at Keltsch Pharmacy for the past 35 years.

Surviving with the daughter in Garrett and husband are two sons, Larry Holmes of Waterloo, and Roger Holmes of Auburn; two other daughters, Kathy Chizmar of Bowling Green, Ohio, and Sandy Krumma of Fort Wayne; one sister, Joyce Ross of Badin, N.C.; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. One daughter, Tonya Holmes, preceded her in death.

, Nov. 8, 1993

Calling today for Grace Gerardot, 82

Grace C. Gerardot, 82, of 6806 CR 5, LaOtto, died Friday at 10:40 p.m. at the home of her grandson and his wife, Carl Jr. and Diann Lapadot, with whom she had resided with for the past 17 months.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Services will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with Fr. Gary Sigler officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to St. Joseph Catholic School.

Mrs. Gerardot was born June 20, 1911, in Ney, Ohio. Her parents were Lewis and Bessie (Ice) Stuckey. She and Floyd J. Gerardot were married June 16, 1945, in Albion. He preceded her in death Nov. 30, 1970. She worked at Electric Motors for four years and was also a homemaker and farmer. She had been an area resident since 1954.

Surviving with the grandson are a daughter, Wilberta Lapadot of LaOtto; two sisters, Hazel Maxson and Myrtle Burke, both of Fort Wayne; three other grandchildren, Carol Holcomb of California, Michael Lapadot of Fort Wayne, and Cathy Frendo of Texas; and seven great-grandchildren, Bob and Dan Lapadot, Tina and Tammi Schoenauer, Jason Lapadot and David and Carly Holcomb.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Charley Stuckey and one grandchild.

Services set for William McKinley Jr.

William F. McKinley Jr., 71, of Kendallville, died Friday at 5 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. He is the brother of G. R. Mike McKinley of Garrett.

Friends may call from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today at Hite Funeral Home in Kendallville. Services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. George Bloomquist officiating. Masonic services will be this evening at 7 p.m. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorials are requested to the First Christian Church in Kendallville, where he was a member.

Mr. McKinley was born Nov. 17, 1921, in Kendallville, to William F. Sr. and Edith (Gillespie) McKinley. He and Ruth Gaines were married Oct. 31, 1944, in Kendallville. He was a tool and die maker and a Navy World War II veteran. He was a member of VFW Post 2749, American Legion Post 86 and past commander in 1952 and 1958, and F & A M Lodge 276, all in Kendallville.

Surviving with the brother are the wife, Ruth; two sons, William and Thomas, both of Kendallville; one sister, Beverly Hanes of Kendallville; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services Friday for Florence Hart

Florence Ruth Hart, 81, of 509 North Randolph Street, died Wednesday at 6:45 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor.

Graveside services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. in Beulah Cemetery at Topeka. Rev. Larry Williams will officiate.

Mrs. Hart was born Nov. 29, 1911, in New Paris. She and William E. Hart were married Jan. 5, 1944, in Topeka. He preceded her in death on Dec. 27, 1984.

Survivors include five daughters, Judy Mann and Rose Caldwell, both of Garrett, Lynda Baker of Ligonier, Betty Johnson and Lucelle Jackson, both of Goshen; one son, Bill Hart of Garrett; and 18 grandchildren.

, November 11, 1993

Services held today for Roy Matthews

Roy L. Matthews, 78, of Auburn, died Monday at 12:42 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He is a former Garrett resident.

Services were held this morning at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. William Haworth officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Matthews was born Nov. 25, 1914, in Lowrence, Iowa, to Ira and May (Wilson) Matthews. He and Marcile C. Turner were married on Dec. 24, 1936, in Muncie. She preceded him in death on Jan. 22. He worked as a crane operator for 40 years, retiring in 1981. He was a WW II US Navy Seabee veteran. He was a member of the Garrett Eagles, American Legion and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 103, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include two sons, Ronald Matthews of Garrett, and Larry Matthews of Houghton Lake, Mich.; two brothers, Robert Matthews of Kissimmee, Fla., and Martin Matthews of Manhattan, Kan.; and five grandchildren.

Mr. Matthews was preceded in death by two sisters, Hazel Bobo and Frances Randa.

Calling today for Josephine Baum, 84

Josephine M. Baum, 84, of 11 East Edgewater Dr., North, died Saturday at 10:20 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call today from 2-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home where services will be at 10 a.m. Monday. Rev. Arthur G. Ferry, Jr., will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the DeKalb County Cancer Society or the First Baptist Church building fund.

Mrs. Baum was born March 10, 1909, to William and Mary (Schriener) Frost. She and Gerald Baum were married in 1958 in Virginia. He died in 1989. She worked as a factory worker, waitress and as a presser for Goodwill in Akron, Ohio, for three years, retiring in 1973.

Survivors include two daughters, Josephine Rentner and Marilyn Runion, both of Garrett; two sons, William Wyatt of Canton, Ohio, and John Wyatt Jr. of Oklahoma City, Okla.; 17 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Alson Frost, and two sisters, Mary Reilly and Mildred Stombaugh.

Services held for Christopher Wood

Christopher A. Wood, 31, of Butler, died Monday, Nov. 8, in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Wood was born Dec. 6, 1961, in Garrett. He was employed as a journeyman at the Cooper Tire and Rubber Co., Engineered Products Division, in Auburn.

He is survived by his wife, Rebecca, whom he married on July 26, 1984.

Other survivors are two sons, Adam and Michael, both at home; a daughter, Sarah, at home; his parents, Robert Wood of North Vernon and Norma Baker of Auburn; a brother, Michael, of Butler; two sisters, Deborah Scheibelhut and Stephanie Wood, both of Auburn and grandparents Marvelle Freeze of Garrett and Irene Wood of Danville, Ill.

Funeral services were held Thursday in the Christian Reform Fellowship Church, New Haven. Hockemeyer Funeral Home of Harlan was in charge of arrangements. Burial was in Harlan Memorial Cemetery. Memorials are to the church.

, Nov. 15, 1993

Former minister of Methodist Church, F. Hazen Sparks, dies

Rev. F. Hazen Sparks, 87, of Winona Lake, died Saturday at 11 a.m. at Kosciusko Hospital. He was the former minister at the Garrett United Methodist Church from 1951 to 1957.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Chamness Funeral Home, 427 East Fort Wayne Street, Warsaw. Services will be held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Warsaw. Rev. Jack C. Scott and others will officiate. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Taylor University in Upland.

Rev. Sparks was born Feb. 24, 1906, in Sully, Jasper County, Iowa. His parents were Frank and Jennie (Gove) Sparks. He and Beatrice Patrick were married June 30, 1931, in Hayward, Wisc. She survives. Rev. Sparks is a retired Methodist minister. He graduated from Taylor University in 1931.

Surviving with the wife at P.O. Box 337, Winona Lake, IN 46590, are two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Ruth) Ochsenrider of Greencastle and Mrs. Phillip (Patricia) Meditith of St. Simons Island, Ga.; two sons, Paul Sparks of Garrett and Robert Sparks of Warsaw, 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

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Services held for Betty Elder, 70

Betty Evelyn Smith Elder, 70, died Wednesday at 8:04 p.m. in Renaissance Village Nursing Home, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Saturday at D. O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Rev. Stephen L. Dunn officiated. Burial was in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Preferred memorials are to the Anthony Wayne First Church of God.

Mrs. Elder was born March 5, 1923, in Arcola to Clinton and Gertrude (Rapp) Noyer. Her mother survives in Arcola. She married Frank E. Elder on June 10, 1961, in Fort Wayne, he survives.

Mrs. Elder was a Fort Wayne resident. She was a member of the Anthony Wayne First Church of God and Teli Sheri Temple 60, Daughter of the Nile.

Other survivors are three sons, Larry E. Smith of Fort Wayne; Benny A. Smith of Garrett and Kippy L. Smith of Zanesville; two sisters, Ruth Thompson and Mary Bates, both of Fort Wayne; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

, Nov. 15, 1993

Services held for sister of Grace Fraze

Vera M. Shaffer, 85, of Fort Wayne, died Wednesday at Courtland Health and rehabilitation in Fort Wayne. She is a sister to Grace Fraze of Garrett.

Services were held Saturday at Immaculate Conception Church in Kendallville. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery in Kendallville. Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials are requested to Masses to the church.

Mrs. Shaffer has lived most of her life in Kendallville. Her husband, Lance, died in 1980.

Surviving with the sister are a son, Lee of Fort Wayne, a daughter, Jackie Donoghue of Glen Ellyn, Ill; and four grandchildren.

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, Nov. 18, 1993

Services held for Margaret Roscoe

Margaret A. "Sally" Roscoe, 79, of Albion, died Monday at 3:05 p.m. at McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. She is the grandmother of Kelly Miller of Garrett.

Services will be at 11 a.m. today at Brazzell Funeral Home in Albion, with Rev. Ken Overmyer officiating. Burial will be in Merriam Christian Chapel Cemetery, Merriam.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Asbury United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Roscoe was born Nov. 12, 1914, in Green Township, Noble County. Her parents were Anson L. and Carrie (Krieger) Huntsman. She and Nelson H. Roscoe were married June 9, 1935, in Goshen. He survives. She was a lifetime Noble County resident and retired from Albion National Bank as a proof machine operator after 23 years. She was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church and Order of Eastern Star, both in Albion.

Surviving with the husband and granddaughter are two daughters, Roslyn Johnson and Becky Clewell, both of Albion; three other grandchildren, Amy Parker of Fort Wayne, and Carrie Clewell and Ted Clewell, both of Tampa, Fla.; and three great-grandchildren. One brother, Carl Huntsman, preceded her in death.

Services held for Middie Robinson

Middie Mickey Robinson, 67, of Evansville, died last Friday at her home. She is the mother of Jeff Suttle, owner of Garrett Truck & Auto on Taylor Road.

Services were held Monday at Boone Funeral Home with Rev. Robert Nall officating. Burial was in Rosewood, Ky.

The family requested preferred memorials to Deaconess Ohio Valley Hospice Care of Evansville, 600 Mary Street, Evansville.

Mrs. Robinson was born July 31, 1926, in Rosewood, Ky. She was a house mother at Hillcrest Orphanage until her retirement. Her first husband, Rayburn Suttle, died Nov. 14, 1979. She and Proctor Robinson were married in 1988. He survives.

Other survivors with the son in Garrett and husband, include two daughters, Charlotte Dockins and Robin Hubbard, both of Evansville; four step-daughters, Wanda Osborn and Pam Pepper, both of Phoenix, Ariz., Diane Greer of Evansville and Margaret Pfiffer of Illinois; two brothers, Jerry Fuller of Booneville, and Ray Fuller Jr., of Chicago; one sister, Naomi DeMoss of Center, Ky.; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

George Gaw, 85, dies in Florida

George W. Gaw, 85, 130 Phoenetia Drive, St. Augustine Shores, Fl., died Nov. 2, at Flagler Hospital East. He was born in Ypsilanti, Mich., and he had resided in St. Augustine for 22 years. He was formerly of Celina, Ohio, and he attended both the University of Michigan and Michigan State University. He was retired owner and president of Midwest Foundry of Garrett, and he was a member of Memorial Presbyterian Church and a past member of the Shores Country Club and Men's Golf Association.

Survivors include his wife, Doris, a daughter, Martha Dinkel, Cincinnati, Ohio; one son, David Gaw, Orlando; one brother, Richard Gaw, Walnut Creek, Calif.; a sister, Mary Ellen Barber, Oakland, Calif.; and four grandchildren. He was also the father of the late Dr. Stephen Gaw, who had resided in DeLand, Fl.

Funeral services were conducted by Croyle Funeral Home. Memorials in his memory, are to a favorite charity.

Services held for Lowell Gaskill

Lowell C. Gaskill, 66, of Auburn, died Thursday at 6:40 a.m. at his home. He is the father of Susan Link of Garrett.

Services were held Saturday at 10 a.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Rev. Eugene Woolever of Meese Chapel United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, near Garrett.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Meese Chapel United Methodist Church.

Mr. Gaskill was born Jan. 20, 1927, in Markle. His parents were Ira and Nellie (Marquardt) Gaskill. He and Margaret Barties were married June 8, 1957. She survives. He retired in 1982 from Dana in Fort Wayne. He then worked for Employers Security of Elkhart for nine years. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in the military police. He was a member of Meese Chapel United Methodist Church.

Surviving with the daughter and wife are a son, Thomas of Fort Wayne; three sisters, Norma Conley of Chicago, Arlene Hagerman of Fort Wayne, and Linda Fuller of Leo; and two grandchildren, Marcia and Matthew Link.

One sister, Beulah Sterling, and one step-brother, Lester Gaskill, preceded him in death.

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Son of Mike and Julie Wilcox dies

Griffin Hayes Wilcox, 5 months old, died Monday at Elkhart General Hospital. He is the son of Mike and Julie Wilcox of Elkhart. His father is a former Garrett resident.

Services were Wednesday at St. Thomas The Apostle Catholic Church in Elkhart with Rev. Richard P. Hire officating. Interment was in Rice Cemetery, Elkhart.

Stemm-Lawson, Peterson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials have been requested to Ann Arbor's Ronald McDonald House, 1600 Washington Heights, Ann Arbor, MI 48104.

Surviving with the parents are a sister, Adare, 4 years old, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilcox of Fort Wayne and Wilma Grove of Elkhart.

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Services held for Harriet Williams

Harriet A. Williams, 81, of Garrett, died Wednesday at 9:47 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She was a Garrett resident for 63 years.

Services were Saturday at 10 a.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. William Haworth officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family requested peferred memorials to the donor's choice.

Mrs. Williams was born Nov. 9, 1912, in Antigo, Wisc. Her parents were Frank and Elsie (Webley) Ryan. She and James G. Williams Jr. were married July 17, 1931, in Columbia City. He preceded her in death on July 14, 1970.

Survivors include one daughter, Colleen Diederich of Garrett; one brother, Harold Ryan of New Berlin, Wisc.; one grandson, Jim Leitizia of Hamilton; two granddaughters, Sue Yingling of Fairmount, and Lori Letizia of Indianapolis; five grandchildren, Angela and Mollyanne Leitizia of Hamilton, and Collette, Breanne and Jerrica Yingling, all of Fairmount.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Lois Weaver, and one great-grandchild, Lisa Yingling.

Calling today for Larry Casselman

Larry L. Casselman, 55, of 122 South Johnson Street, died Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at his home.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home and one hour before services, which will be held Friday at 10:30 a.m. at the First Church of Christ. Lloyd Mealer will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the First Church of Christ.

Mr. Casselman was born April 1, 1938, in Auburn, to Lester D. and Miriam J. (Tomlinson) Casselman. His mother survives. He and Erma J. Freeman were married Nov. 30, 1957, in St. Joe. She survives. He was a truck driver for the DeKalb County Highway Department since March 1960. He was a member of the First Church of Christ.

Other survivors include one son, Kevin of Auburn; two daughters, Vickie Bowman and Kathy Handshoe, both of Garrett; three sisters, Patricia Fuentes of Kendallville, Hilda Gettis of LaPorte, and Pearl Weinhold of Hamilton; and six grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one sister, Sandy Casselman.

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Services held for Arthur Ray, 57

Arthur Carl Ray, 57, of Orland, died Friday at 11:45 p.m. at his home. He is the father of Katherine Raymond of Garrett.

Mr. Ray was born Oct. 22, 1936, in Jackson, Tenn. His parents were Carly and Katherine Ray. He and Donna Hunter were married Nov. 5, 1973. She survives. He was a self-employed painter.

Graveside services were held Monday in Eagle Cemetery in Brighton with Rev. Terry Larimore officiating. Arrangements were by Klink Funeral Home, Angola.

The family has requested memorials to the family.

Surviving with the daughter in Garrett and wife are three sons, Curtis Ray of Logansport, Mark Ray of Albion and Adam Ray, at home; one other daughter, Teresa Ray of Chicago; three brothers, William of Memphis, Tenn., Ernest of Chicago, and Amos of Peru; three sisters, Effie Carroll of Dyersville, Tenn., Lula Mae Snyder of Peru, and Sadie Polk of Fort Wayne.

, December 6, 1993

Calling Tuesday for Adella Wolford, 76

Adella H. Wolford, 76, of 215 South Walsh Street, died Sunday at 4 a.m.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home on Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. and on Wednesday one hour before the services, which will be held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church. Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery in Hicksville, Ohio.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the First Baptist Church in Garrett.

Mrs. Wolford was born Jan. 25, 1917, in Mark Centre, Ohio. Her parents were Elmer and Agusta O. (Albreicht) Lobdell. She and Richard E. Wolford were married on Aug. 25, 1935, in Hicksville, Ohio. He survives. She worked at Electric Motors and Essex International in Auburn and retired in 1976. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the First Baptist Church.

Surviving with the husband are a son, Mars of Fort Wayne; a granddaughter, Leisa Wolford of Fort Wayne; a grandson, Ryan Wolford of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Orlan Lobdell and Richard Lobdell, both of Hicksville; two sisters, Ila Finn of McComb, Ohio, and a twin sister, Luella Neff of Logansport.

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December 6, 1993

Eleanor Garen, 84, dies in South Bend

Major Eleanor M. Garen, 84, of Greenspring Manor in South Bend, passed away on Nov. 26, at 4:40 a.m. Evelyn Kennedy of Garrett, is her niece. She had been ill and was retired from the Army as a major and a nurse.

Garen was born March 7, 1909, in Fennville, MI, and lived in South Bend since 1975, coming from El Paso, TX.

Survivors along with Mrs. Kennedy are a sister, Loretta Whitwell, of Denver; a brother, Reese, of South Bend, and another niece, Dede Sante, of South Bend.

Services were held Wednesday, Dec. 1, in the chapel of St. Joseph Valley Memorial Park, Granger. McGann Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Memorials may be made to Wesley Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, in Chicago.

Garen was a member of American Defenders of Bataan and Corrigidor, the Order of Eastern Star Harmony Chapter, Retired Army Officers Association, and was a gradaute of Wesley Memorial Hospital School of Nursing of Northwestern University Medical School. She was a prisoner of war during World War II and received the Bronze Star.

Dec. 9, 1993

Joseph Riedhart dies at age 69

Joseph Maurice Riedhart, 69, of Houston, TX, died Nov. 30. He was a former Garrett resident.

Private services were held for the family in Bastrop, Tx., and in lieu of flowers, contributions can be directed to the Alvin F. Hildebrandt Memorial Fund. The fund is established through the University of Houston and checks should be made out to the University of Houston, carrying a memo in the lower left corner "for the Alvin F. Hildebrandt Memorial Scholarship" and addressed to the Office of Scholarship and Financial Aid, University of Houston, Houston, TX 77204-2160.

Dr. Riedhart developed and introduced a new type of copper fungicide to control diseases in agricultural crops over 20 years ago. He traveled worldwide teaching agriculture specialists how to use this product. Today, because of his efforts, this fungicide is used throughout the world and in many areas as the primary copper treatment.

Dr. Riedhart discovered that this copper fungicide controlled the ice nucleating bacteria that caused frost to form on agricultural crops. By controlling these bacteria with the copper helped protect crops from light frost. Many farmers have saved their crop due to this treatment.

A member of the GHS graduating class of 1942, Dr. Reidhart is survived by his wife, Beverly, at 8526 Sandy Glen Lane, Houston, TX 77071; one son, John, and two daughters, Elizabeth and Stefanie, one brother, Bill; and two sisters, Frances Berry and Florence Mowery.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Riedhart, and two brothers, Thomas and Richard.

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, Dec. 13, 1993

Services today for Jerome Heinlen, 73

Jerome Heinlen, 73, of 116 Aster Lane, Lake Jackson, TX 77566, died Thursday at his home. He formerly lived in Garrett.

Services were held this morning at St. Michaels Catholic Church in Lake Jackson. Burial was in Lake Jackson Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Cancer Society.

Mr. Heinlen was born Feb. 1, 1920, in Garrett. His parents were Jerome and Mary Rhodine (Lehmbeck) Heinlen. He was a World War II veteran of the Korean Conflict and was awarded a Silver Star. He was in the banking business for 35 years. He was a Notre Dame Alunus of 51 years and a member of St. Michaels Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Leola; one son, Jerome F. Heinlen, Jr. of near Lake Jackson; one brother, Loren Heinlen of Kendallville; one sister, Marilyn Smith of Wawasee; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother Robert Heinlen.

, Dec. 16, 1993

Services held for Milton Zuehsow, 73

Milton E. Zuehsow, 73, of 609 Woodview Drive, died Sunday at 8:45 a.m. at his home. He had resided in Garrett for the past three years.

Services were held Wednesday at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church with Rev. Herbert Schumm officiating. Burial was in Concordia Cemetery in Forest Park, Ill.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Zuehsow was born May 29, 1920, in Chicago. His parents were William and Bertha (Krefft) Zuehsow. He and Laura Rabey were married June 5, 1943, in Chicago. She survives. Mr. Zuehsow retired in 1985 after 34 years as a tool and die maker for Krassberg Corp., Des Plaines, Ill. He also was an insurance broker at Fred C. Schmitt Co., Oak Park, Ill. He was a member of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Garrett, the Lutheran Laymen's League and International Association of Machinists & Aerospace Workers, Local 113. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

Surviving with the wife are three sons, Paul Zuehsow of LaOtto, Mark Zuehsow of Belgium, and David Zeeso of Charlotte, N.C.; one daughter, Deborah Roberts of Ypsilanti, Mich.; two brothers, Wilber Zuehsow of Park Forest, Ill., and Theodore Zuehsow of Dallas, Tex.; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Clarence and William Zuehsow Jr., and one half-sister, Genevieve Palmer.

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y, Dec. 20, 1993

Services held for Eugene Wood, 57

Eugene R. Wood, 57, of Wichita Falls, Tex., died last Wednesday at his home.

Services were Saturday at Lunn's Colonial Chapel in Wichita Falls, with Rev. William Carnley officiating. Burial was in Crestview Memorial Park.

Mr. Wood was born June 27, 1936, in Lothair, Ky. He and Ruby Delores Turney were married Feb. 18, 1956, in Wichita Falls. She survives. He retired in 1986 as a service mechanic for the Texas State Highway Department. He served in the U.S. Air Force.

Surviving with the wife are his mother, Chloe Edith Wood Gamble of Garrett; one son, Michael Eugene Wood of Wichita Falls; one daughter, Nancy Delores Wood of Wichita Falls; two brothers, Howard Pickett of Eubank, Ky., and Charles Wood of Garrett; two sisters, LaVern Wood of Eubank, Ky., and Carol Gamble of Garrett; and five grandchildren.

Services Thursday for Chester Cutler, 88

Chester Cutler, 88, died Saturday at Heritage Health Center in Naples, Fla. He owned Pete and Beck's Tavern in Fort Wayne before retiring in Florida in 1973.

He married the former Marian Mills in 1929. She preceded him in death in December 1958. He married Esther Fisher in February 1960 and she survives.

He is the father of two sons, Dallas and Raymond, both of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Gloria Berning of Albion; and one stepson, Ted Knopfle of Cape Coral, Fla. There are nine grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by three brothers, Kenneth and Forrest, both of Garrett, and Paul of Columbus, Ohio; and two sisters, Ruth Hall of Britton, Mich., and Gladys Porter of Avilla. He was preceded in death by seven brothers and sisters.

A memorial service will be held Thursday, Dec. 23, at 3 p.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Garrett. Visitation will be from 2-3 p.m. that day prior to the service. Pastor Herbert Schumm will officiate.

Preferred memorials are to the Alsheimer Society.

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Calling Tuesday for David A. Wolfe, 42

David A. Wolfe, 42, of CR 51, Waterloo, died Saturday at his home. He is the husband of the former Vicky Kugler, formerly of Garrett.

Friends may call Tuesday from 7-9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Ronald Stambaugh officiating.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Learning Disabilities Class at DeKalb Central High School or Hamilton High School.

Mr. Wolfe was born June 4, 1951, in Garrett to Bill L. and Mae Belle Myers, who survive in Waterloo. He and Vicky Kugler were married Nov. 3, 1984, in Fremont. She survives. He was employed in the maintenance department at the DeKalb Central Schools for the past three years. He served with the U.S. Marine Corp.

Surviving with the wife and parents are one son, Christopher A. Wolfe of Waterloo; two daughters, Dawn R. Woods of Auburn, and Sarah E. Wolf of Butler; two step-daughters, Roxanne Garrison of Auburn, and Jennifer Pickard of Waterloo; two brothers, Tim Wolfe of Butler, and Ron Wolfe of Waterloo; one sister, Linda Shaffer of Waterloo; and two step-grandchildren.

Services Tuesday for Harold "Buck" Owen

Harold W. "Buck" Owen, 74, of 202 Bridge Street, died Saturday at 2:02 p.m. at his home.

Services will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Pastor Bill Dunfee will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery with military graveside services by the Garrett American Legion and VFW. There is no visitation.

Mr. Owen was born Oct. 8, 1919, in Kendallville. His parents were James and Bertha (Betz) Owen. He and Ruth M. Baker were married Dec. 8, 1939, in Auburn. She survives. He was an engineer on the B & O Railroad for 40 years, retiring in 1979. He was a member of the Garrett Eagles, American Legion and Tri-County Skirts & Shirts Square Dance Club. Mr. Owens was a WW II Army veteran. He attended the Garrett United Methodist Church and the Forrest Community Church in Salt Springs, Fla.

Surviving with the wife are a son, Jimmie Owen of Garrett; a daughter, Linda Lou Helbert of Garrett; three sisters, Rozella Dembickie and Dorothy McPheeters, both of Garrett, and Sadie Grate of Hudson; seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Bonnie Parvu and one brother, Russell Owen.

Calling today for Charles Wansitler, 85

Charles C. Wansitler, 85, of 28549 Maystead Road, Sturgis, Mich., died on Dec. 21 at Miller's Merry Manor in LaGrange.

He was born on April 2, 1908, in Kendallville, a son of Gideon and Magdelene (Eberle) Wansitler. He and Anna F. Kaszick were married March 21, 1948, in Toledo, Ohio. He was an engineer-draftsman for General Motors AC Division, retiring in 1971. He was a member of the Sturgis Elks Lodge and the Weslayan Church.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Robert (Marilyn) Morr of Auburn, Mrs. Russell (Beverly) Freeman of Avilla, and Mrs. Dale (Wilma) Summey of Sturgis, two sisters, Mrs. Geneva Roy of Advent, Mo., and Mrs. Minnie Black of Venice, Fla.; 13 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife and one brother, Harry Wansitler.

Friends may call at the Rosenberg-Schipper Funeral Home in Sturgis from 3-8 p.m. Services will be held at the funeral home at 10 a.m. on Friday with Rev. Steve Nelson officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery in Garrett.

Memorials may be directed to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

, Dec. 23, 1993

Services today for Larry Knapp, 36

Larry A. Knapp, 36, of 509 South Johnson Street, died Monday at 11:24 p.m. at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at the Garrett Presbyterian Church with Rev. William Haworth and Fr. Gary Sigler officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Presbyterian Church or St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Mr. Knapp was born Jan. 9, 1957, in Garrett, to Norman and Fannie Mae (Rowe) Knapp. His father survives. He and Teresa "Teri" Dirrim were married June 24, 1977, in Auburn. She survives. He was a machine operator for 15 years at Phellps Dodge in Fort Wayne.

Surviving with the father and wife are two children, Keri and Dane, both at home; and one brother, Terry Knapp of Sarasota, Fla.

Dr. R. S. Carpenter dies at age 72

Dr. Ramesh S. Carpenter, 72, of Fort Wayne, died Sunday at 9:46 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He was a doctor in Garrett from 1956 through 1972. He was a physician for 38 years.

Dr. Carpenter, a native of India, opened his Garrett office on Oct. 29, 1956, at 514 South Randolph Street. He later moved his office to the 300 block of South Randolph Street and then into the clinic building at 200 South Randolph Street. He was on the staff at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, and McCray Hospital in Kendallville while practicing in Garrett. He had an office in Hudson, but closed it two years after coming to Garrett.

Services were held Wednesday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. T. J. Rehwaldt of the Fort Wayne Lutheran Seminary, officiating. Burial was in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

Dr. Carpenter was born Nov. 9, 1921, in Bombay, India. He and Helen Mock were married on Oct. 1, 1960, in Waterloo. She survives. He was a graduate of the Benares School of Medicine, in India, in 1955. He was a member of the American Medical Association, Elks and Wildwood Tennis Club in Fort Wayne.

Surviving with the wife are three sons, Tom Carpenter of Fort Wayne, Bob Carpenter of Rochester, NY., and Yogi Carpenter of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; one daughter, Tonya Carpenter of Los Angeles, Calif.; two step-daughters, Amy Martin of Norfolk, Va., and Christine Myers of Tallahassee, Fla.; two sisters, Leila Gujjar of Bombay, India, and Indu Pastel of Windsor, Canada; a half sister, Rama Doshi of Detroit, Mich.; and a half brother, Heresh Carpenter of Detroit; and seven grandchildren.

, Dec. 30, 1993

Services held for Clarence Platner

Clarence A. Platner, 87, of Fort Wayne, died Monday at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne. He is the father of Michael Platner of Garrett.

Services were held this morning at 10 a.m. at DeMoney-Grimes Countryside Park Funeral Home in Columbia City. Burial was in South Park Cemetery Annex.

The family has requested preferred memorials to Alzheimer's Association.

Mr. Platner, who had lived in Fort Wayne since 1987, was born in Ellsworth, Kan. He was a retired salesman for Stokely VanCamp Co., in Fort Wayne and was also Whitley County clerk for two terms in the '50s and '60s. His wife, Deane, died in 1982.

Surviving with the son in Garrett are a daughter, Kaye Deane Derheimer-Gannon of Fort Wayne, and five grandchildren.

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